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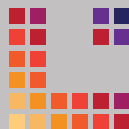
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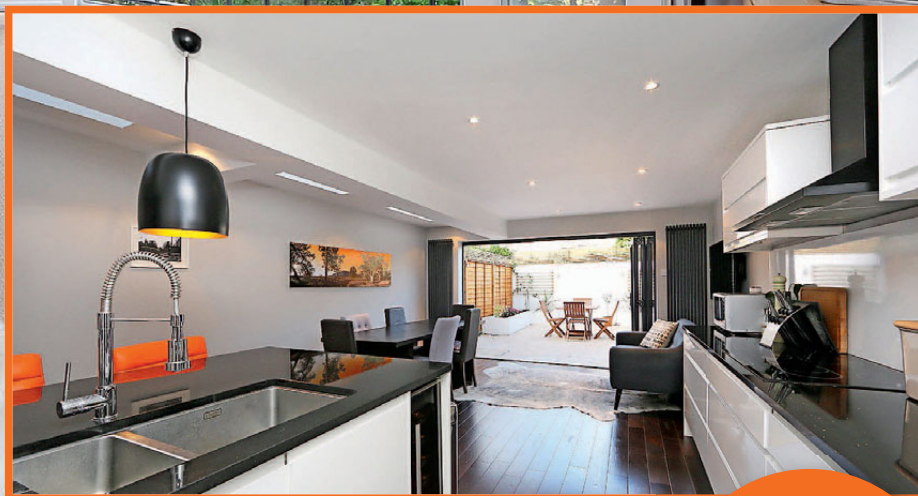


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Kyoung Tack Hong, Pens, from Hakgojae Gallery, will be on show at Art14 London

## This month's contributors



Tom Parker Bowles

Tom Parker Bowles is a real foodie's foodie, and a jolly nice chap to boot. He is a food writer and broadcaster of some repute. When he's not discovering the best food in London he'll be at home with his wife Sara and their two children.

Shona Wallace

Shona Wallace is a talented young fashion journalist, currently studying at London College of Fashion. This month, she meets our cover stars Tamara Ralph and Michael Russo; the couple behind the haute couture fashion brand Ralph & Russo



Judith Wilson



Judith Wilson is The Resident's longest serving contributor, editing the interiors section. This month she interviews Christina Strutt, founder of English lifestyle brand Cabbages & Roses as she prepares to open her second Chelsea store

# Art in the city

When it comes to art shows, London doesn't do things by halves. In 2013, we seemed determined to prove our worth as an art-centric capital. It was the year of the blockbuster shows. Every week, another sell-out would open its doors. And yes, I admit it; I was one of those fools getting squashed at Tate Modern's Lichtenstein retrospective, squinting between shoulder blades for a glimpse at those blinding Ben-Day dots. From Manet to Lowry to an all-out Bowie takeover, we were so saturated by art that by the time Frieze 2013 came around, I was ready to take a nap from visual exhaustion in Jennifer Rubell's giant 'Womb' sculpture.

But 2014 has arrived, and with it comes the return of a Art14 London to Olympia, the international art fair that prides itself on finding unknown talent. Instead flaunting the blockbuster superstars; Art14 showcases galleries from Berlin to Jeddah to help lesser-known artists take the London stage. Find out more on page 22.

Also this month, we have gone beyond these pages and into the online world with the launch of our new website. Find out what's going on in your area at [theresident.co.uk](http://theresident.co.uk).

I hope you enjoy this issue.



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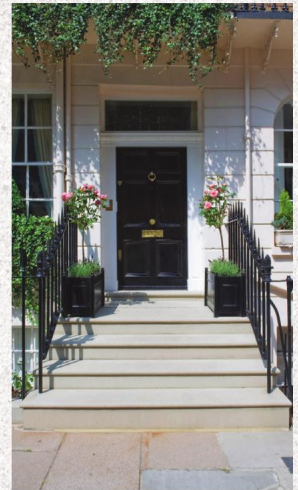




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## Under construction

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## FIRE STATION CLOSURE

Kingsbridge's Basil Street fire station closed its doors recently following the announcement that 10 London fire stations are to be shut down. The 106-year-old station has been closed, along with 107-year-old Greycoat Place station, Westminster, in a bid to save £29 million through the Fifth London Safety Plan. The Fire Brigades Union (FBU) opposed the cuts, arguing that the closures will have a significant impact on the level of fire coverage in the city. Kensington and Chelsea now has three fire stations to serve the entire borough and Westminster is left with two.



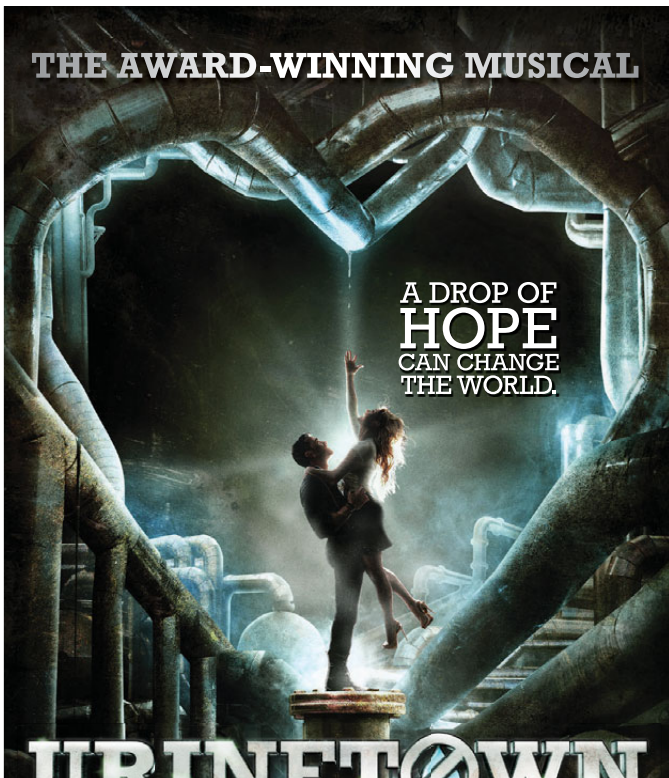
## LIFE THROUGH THE LENS

The Little Black Gallery has just launched the Survival International photography competition. The judging panel includes actor and Survival Ambassador Gillian Anderson, BBC 'Human Planet' photographer Tim Allen, The Little Black Gallery Co-Founder Ghislain Pascal, and Jo Eede, Photography Editor of Survival International. Competition categories include Lands, Human Diversity and Ways of Life. The twelve winning entries will be published in Survival's 2015 Calendar, and will be exhibited at The Little Black Gallery in December 2014.

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David Gandy,  
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Robert Johnston



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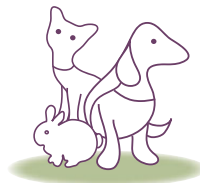
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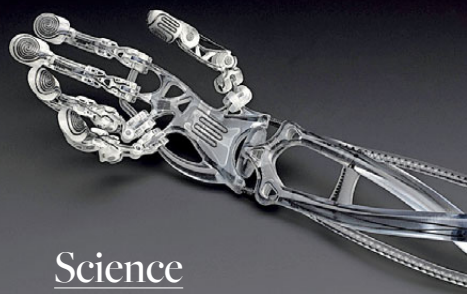
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Left: Designer Ivana Basilotta; above, fascinators by milliner Katherine Elizabeth





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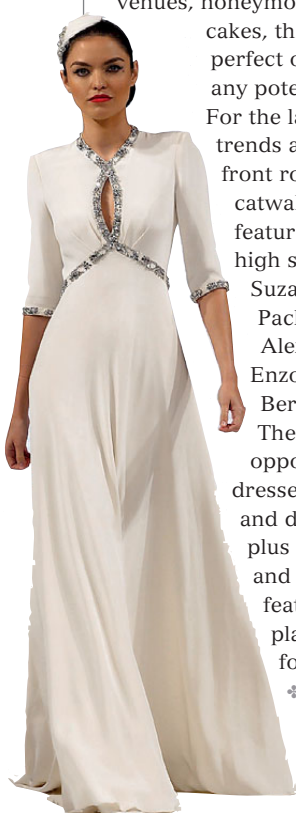
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## Event

# Movies in the MOONLIGHT



Sit back, relax and experience film like you've never seen it before as the Tudor Garden at Kensington Roof Gardens is transformed into an open air cinema from 10-12 February.

Viewers at the RoofTop Film Club can watch a choice of classic films on a huge screen, with high quality wireless headphones and extremely comfy chairs. There's a heated marquee to keep the winter chill at bay and every attendee will receive a complimentary drink and snack from the outdoor coal fire BBQ of either a burger or hotdog. Vegetarian food and soft drinks will also be served.

The 2014 programme kicks off with Rob Reiner's 1986 classic *Stand By Me*,

based on the Stephen King novella, *The Body*, starring River Phoenix. It tells the story of four young boys who go on an adventurous hike across the countryside to find the missing body of a local teenager, and the mishaps they experience en route.

Other films to be shown include Robert Luketic's 2001 hit, *Legally Blonde*, starring Reese Witherspoon, and everyone's favourite Tom Cruise movie, *Top Gun*. Plus, catch the Oscar-nominated *Gravity*, starring Sandra Bullock and George Clooney. Tickets are £21.50, plus booking fee.

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The greatest Romantic ballet of all time is heading to Covent Garden's Royal Opera House. Peter Wright's production of Marius Petipa's classic *Giselle* (original choreography by Jules Perrot and Jean Coralli) is a tale of betrayal, supernatural spirits and love that transcends death. It stars the Royal Ballet's latest signing, Russian starlet Natalia Osipova, as a young peasant girl who falls in love with the wrong person.

The first act is filled with historical detail

whilst the second act, known as the White Act, plunges the audience into an eerie moonlit forest haunted by the ethereal Wilis – vengeful spirits of young brides who died before their wedding day.

With its classic combination of memorable plot and exquisite performances, *Giselle* is the perfect way to discover classical ballet. The show runs until 10 February, see website for ticket prices.

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## Art



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'There are so many parent clubs and websites out there but until now my friends and I could not find any with a local focus that reflected our family's lifestyles,' says founder Nana Coles, who quit a successful City career to launch the network. Exclusive, upmarket and

unashamedly selective, Knightsbridge Village is certainly proving popular with the area's well-heeled mums and expectant mums.

The website is presented as a virtual village featuring 'the Café', a lively private forum where well-connected mums meet to share insider knowledge and advice on anything from local prep schools and recommended nurseries to family friendly holidays. The 'Library' is full of insightful articles delivered by an expert team. Matt Roberts Personal Training and Jena Quinn of Nicky Haslam Design count amongst the impressive names involved. The 'Shop' enables

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Clockwise from top left: Yan Lei, *Landing-Shanghai C*, Courtesy of Tang Contemporary A, 2007; Cristina De Middel, Iko Iko, Courtesy of Black Ship Gallery; M. F. Husain, *Untitled*, Courtesy of Delhi Art Gallery; Zhao Zhao, *Waterfall*, 2013, Courtesy of Alexander Ochs Galleries Berlin and Beijing



# Capital of culture

Art14 London, the city's latest art fair is set to be a truly international event, discovers Kat Hopps. She meets its director, Stephanie Dieckvoss to find out more

**Y**et another art exhibition in an already heaving calendar of events meant Art13 London was met with slight scepticism on its arrival last year. Did London really need another contemporary art exhibition? Could it make its mark in such a crowded marketplace? And, would audiences and critics care?

A year on, attitudes seem to have changed for the better. Feelings of curiosity and excitement prevail ahead of this year's show, taking place from 28 February-2 March. Billed by organisers as London's 'global art fair', Art14 London's global tag carries genuine credentials. Welcoming over 170 galleries from 38 countries, exhibitors come from regions as diverse as Africa and South America, with a big emphasis on Asia and the Middle East. Well known galleries and artists feature but the show's niche is

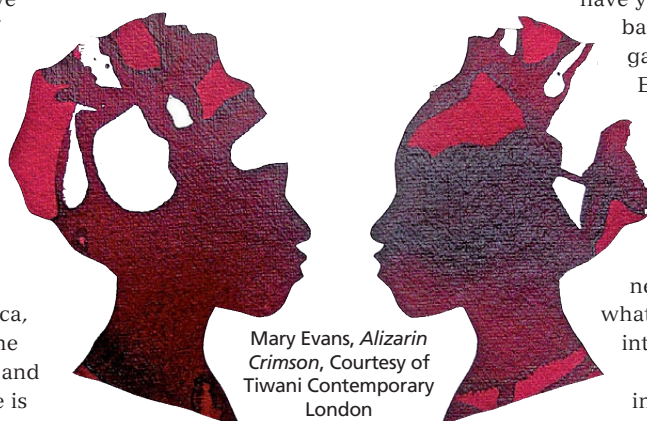
its focus on exciting, yet largely unknown, artists and collectors from cities as far-reaching as Lagos, São Paulo, Berlin and Dubai.

This diversity was integral to Art13 London's success, and will continue to attract visitors and collectors in 2014 according to its Fair Director, Stephanie Dieckvoss. 'The most established art fairs are going back to focusing on the

core galleries from Europe and the US, so at our fair you see so much art which you would normally only see if you travelled thousands of miles away. You can find African photography next to amazing Korean and Chinese photography and 60s experimental Polish artists,' she says. I ask whether this is a gap in the market that other art fairs, like Frieze and London Art Fair have yet to capitalise on? 'Yes, there are barely any Asian or Middle Eastern galleries represented at many other European fairs,' she answers.

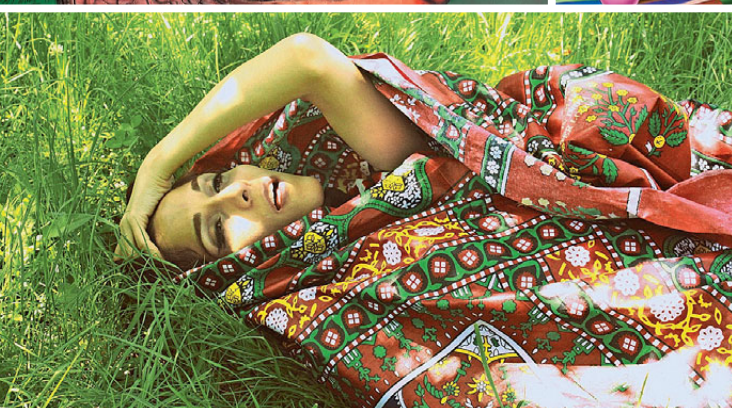
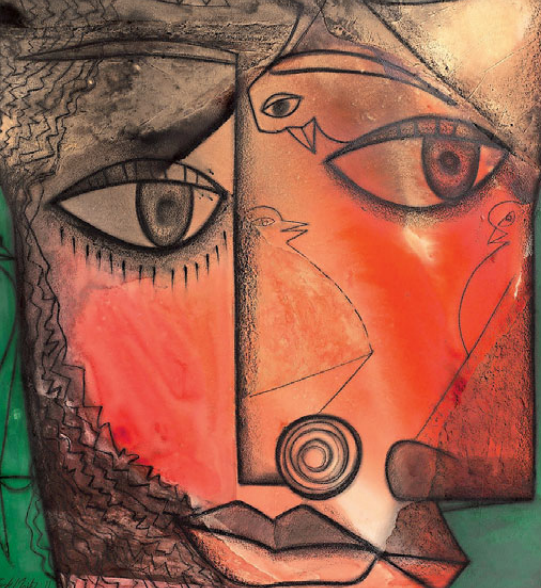
'There is no other fair in Europe that actually knows the scene well and can bring galleries to London which are really important in their own countries but actually haven't necessarily had the chance to show what they are doing on an international scale.'

Drawing on the growing interest in modern and contemporary

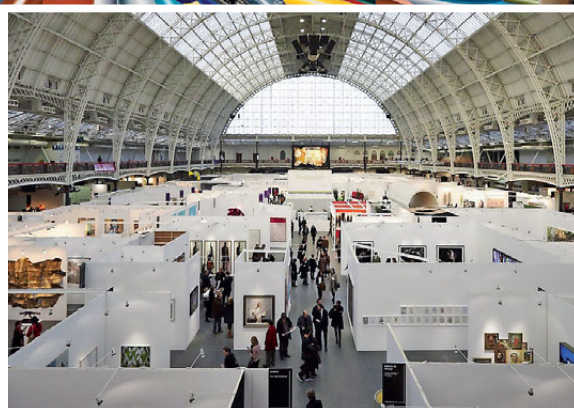


Mary Evans, *Alizarin Crimson*, Courtesy of Tiwani Contemporary London





Clockwise from top left: Paresch Maity, *Duality*, Courtesy of Sumukha Gallery; Kyoung Tack Hong, *Pens*, courtesy of the artist and Hakgojae Gallery; Art13 London exhibition hall; Ibi Ibrahim, *Yemeni Orgasm*, courtesy of the artist and JAMM Art Gallery



Middle Eastern and Asian art, Art14 London will showcase Athr Gallery, based in Jeddah, that Stephanie says was one of the 'stand-out discoveries' of the first show and returns this year with a major presentation. Other galleries from the region include The Empty Quarter from Dubai, Galerie Janine Rubeiz, based in Beirut, which represents upcoming Lebanese artists and New York gallery newcomer, Taymour Grahne, showcasing works by Mohammed Kazem who represented the U.A.E at the Venice Biennale 2013.

Delhi Art Gallery from India will bring some of its high-end works. M.F Husain, the Indian painter and Film Director who died in 2011, and is often referred to as the 'Picasso of India' will also have work exhibited at Art14 London. 'He was one of the big modern masters of the Indian art scene and a fantastic painter,' says Stephanie. 'His work is very expensive so that will be one of the highlights of things you don't usually see in London unless it comes up in one of the auctions in Sothebys or Christie's.' Stephanie is also particularly excited about Boomoon from Korea, 'an important artist who is very well sought after and who you normally can't buy here – he does very beautiful landscape photography,' she says.

With such a wide array of international talent involved, it begs the question, how are these artists all found?

'I travel a lot,' Stephanie laughs. Thanks to a largely successful first year, word seems to have slipped out to international galleries anyway. The curated section, London First, features sixteen young galleries who have never exhibited in London. 'There were four times as many applicants as we had spaces,' says Stephanie. 'It's really tightly curated so we only have 16 spaces and we had so many good applicants. We have great galleries from Singapore, Japan, Mali and New York in that section so it's like little circles of a mini global fair within a bigger fair.'

Aside from photography and paintings, performance art and sculpture

## You can find African and Korean photography next to 60s experimental Polish artists

will feature at the fair, a personal favourite of Stephanie's. 'It's something that excites me a lot because it also shows how artists work with the space and sometimes struggle installing things,' she says. 'Alexander Ochs Galleries from Berlin is bringing an amazing sculpture by a Chinese artist called Zaho Zaho which is a throne covered in blood red wax and that is such a strong, stunning piece.'

If last year's high-profile visitors are anything to go by – One Direction's Harry Styles and Charles Saatchi among them, big names are sure to peruse the stands once again. Don and Mera Rubell, owners of the Rubell Family collection in Miami will participate in 'Art & The City', a talk about how art can promote urban regeneration. Kate Rothko, daughter of the late painter, Mark Rothko, will also feature.

Stephanie says there is plenty of room for all budgets at the fair with works starting 'from around £1,000, which can still be global and cutting edge – we try to speak to different types of collectors.' Although Art14 London is shaping up nicely, she refrains from self-congratulation. 'I'm a perfectionist so I'm never happy. I always think of what we could have done better' is her reflection on last year's show. 'We've addressed lots of the behind-the-scenes issues. I am happy that we have been able to broaden out and make the fair more balanced, include more countries with exciting, critically acclaimed artists, and that speaks for itself.'

❖ **Reader offer:** Book your ticket online at [artfairslondon.com](http://artfairslondon.com) and receive a 2 for 1 offer on single and double adult tickets. Quote 'RESIDENT' when prompted to redeem this offer.

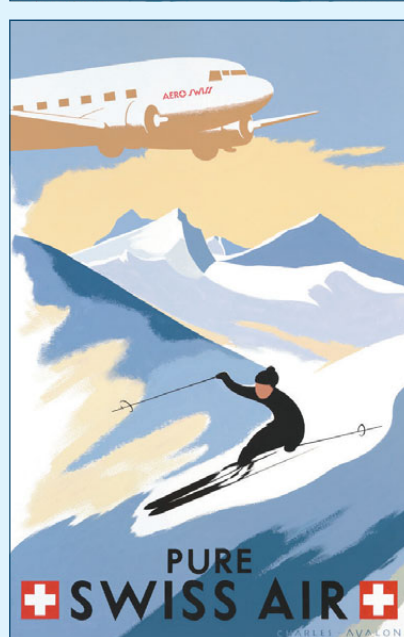
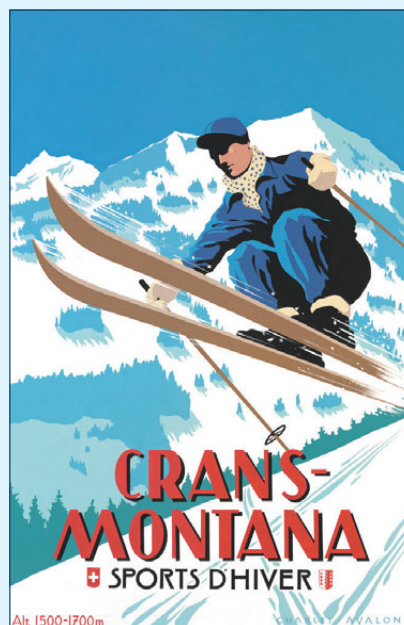
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Photographer Conor Beary's latest project Mayfair Shopkeepers captures the butchers, jewellers and tailors who are keeping the area's sense of tradition alive



Laurence Davis, Sautter of Mount Street



Chris Parkman, Paxton & Whitfield

## WHAT WAS THE IDEA BEHIND 'MAYFAIR SHOPKEEPERS'?

My primary interest has been to document the world around me, whether it's the streets of Liverpool or the affluent backstreets of Mayfair. I was interested by the flamboyant characters you often see gracing the streets. The thing that captured me early on was the personalities and warmth of the shopkeepers. I was interested in creating a body of work that explored and documented these people and their trades, and the continuation of English culture in a changing world.

## HOW DID YOU DECIDE ON EACH PORTRAIT?

I was particularly interested in the high-end shops that specialise in a product

and make it bespoke. I like the idea of capturing traditional British culture, so shops with Royal Warrants were often a favourite of mine.

## WHY DOES MAYFAIR INTEREST YOU AS AN AREA?

It is a world-renowned unique area that draws people from all around the world. I like the sense of heritage and the romance in Mayfair, it has a timeless aspect to it and doesn't suffer the same ebbs and flows as the rest of the commercial world. It's like a village in one of the busiest cities on earth.

## DO YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE IMAGE FROM THE PROJECT?

One of my favourites is from Lock & Co Hatters. The retail Manager Mr. Baselgia





Top right:  
Jelena Kulikova, Kent &  
Curwen, Savile Row

Above:  
Andrew Baselgia,  
Lock & Co Hatters

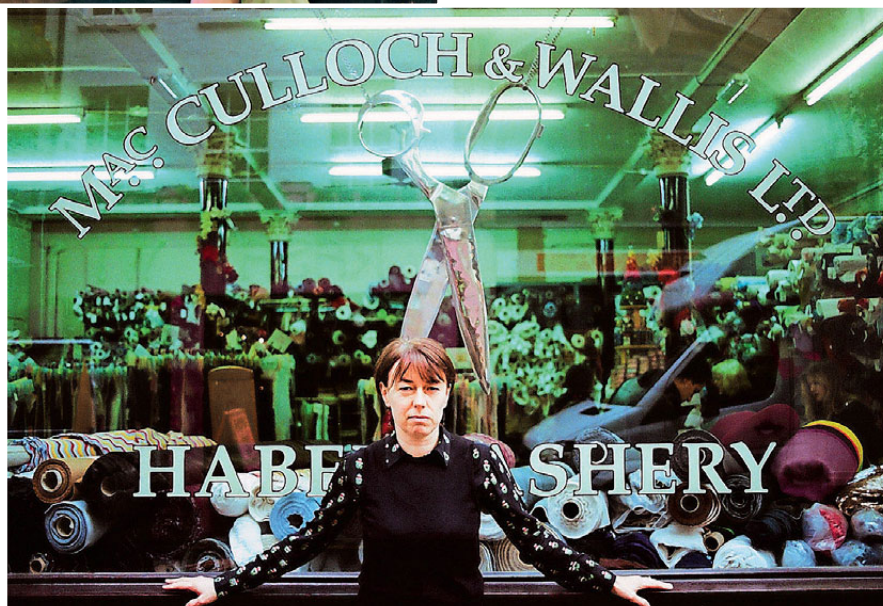
Left:  
Michael Gigg,  
Allens of Mayfair

Below:  
Victoria Connolly,  
MacCulloch & Wallis

is standing in front of a selection of hanging hats with back lights behind them, which gives the illusion that they are floating. The rest of the shop is in complete darkness.

### WHAT WAS THE MOST INTERESTING THING YOU DISCOVERED?

I think learning about the history of Mayfair has been a really interesting part of it. I had the chance to go to the parts of buildings that most don't get access to, and walk around haunted attics and creaky basements. Learning about Burlington Arcade's colourful past was fantastic, too. I explored every aspect, from old generals' offices to tailors' workshops. It has given me inspiration for more projects to come! ♦♦







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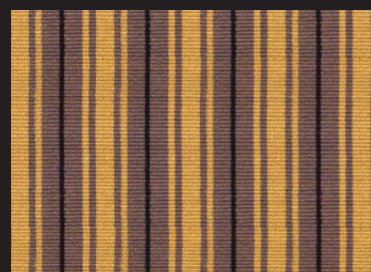
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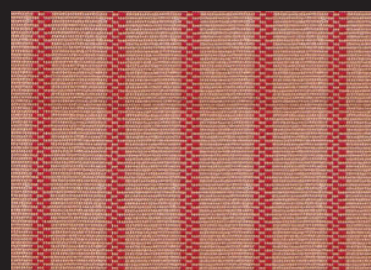




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# Everything's coming up ROSES

As she prepares to open her second store, Christina Strutt, founder of Cabbages & Roses shares her love of English interiors with Judith Wilson







Christina Strutt

If ever there was a lifestyle brand that encapsulates English eccentricity in all its glory, it must be Cabbages & Roses. The fashion and homeware company, owned by creative director Christina Strutt, has florals and soft colours aplenty, but also bristles with wit and integrity. So it is no surprise that the company has grown spectacularly from kitchen-table creativity to global sales, and this month celebrates the opening of a second Chelsea store. 'We are very different from everything else on the market,' says Christina. 'Our development has been very exciting.'

Tucked into a Grade II listed building on Sydney Street, the new store features interlinked shops: one for fashion, the other for interiors. Traditionally, Christina has mixed fashion and home. 'But separation is good,' she says. 'There is always the chance that you might be looking for a frock, then be distracted by a floral cushion.' Customers will find the store discreetly painted in Farrow & Ball's Down Pipe grey, what Christina describes as 'a Cabbages & Roses version of industrial.' She is delighted to have moved to new premises. 'Joy of joys, we have the shop, two offices above, and a flat on the top,' she says.

Anyone browsing the Cabbages & Roses website will see a clear brand: young girls dressed in wool sweaters, softly draped skirts and crisp shirts, and interiors with a relaxed country aesthetic. But is the Cabbages & Roses customer really that youthful? Not necessarily, says Christina. When asked, she says she is dressed top to toe in Cabbages & Roses, and cheerfully reveals that she is 59. 'I use young models unapologetically because they look better in the clothes,' she says. 'Customers have the intelligence to

decide what works for them.' The interiors range, with one new fabric collection rolled out per year, suits a wide variety of homes, city or rural. Christina is entirely self-taught and has no rules, so enjoys the cross-over between fashion and home. 'But interiors is still my passion.' It is no

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Simple white plates with hand-painted blue motifs, available at Cabbages & Roses

surprise, then, to hear that she started out as an interiors stylist on *Vogue*.

Christina co-launched the company back in 2000 with her friend, Brigitte Buchanan. From their respective country kitchen tables, and at that stage with no website, the nascent mail-order company started with 'a cushion, fabric, skirt and dress'. Over the years, the company has grown organically, but its five core values – 'beauty, simplicity, longevity, integrity and sustainability' – remain. As for the name, it arose after Christina and Brigitte each chose their favourite flower. 'I was heavily into country life and had an enormous vegetable garden, so cabbages seemed





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appropriate,' says Christina. And now their very English designs have brought global success, including a fanbase in the Far East.

Christina is delighted to be settled in Chelsea. 'I love everything about it – the cinemas, shops, the atmosphere.' From the vast Georgian windows in their offices, she and her eight-strong creative team overlook St Luke's church, so even when she is in the city, rather than at home in Bath, she feels inspired.

Customers will also get the full SW3 experience. Travel through to the back of the interiors store, and, alongside an old-fashioned conservatory, there is the entrance to The Chelsea Gardener, with all its plants and flowers. Does she have plans to expand the interiors range now she has an entire homewares shop? She won't be drawn, but hints strongly at new developments for 2014.

The most enduring appeal of the Cabbages & Roses fabrics lies in the authenticity of the designs, with an easy-going yet classic charm. The prints are all based on archive motifs or snatches

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of pattern found on old scraps of fabric, then re-coloured in the brand's characteristic muted shades. Raspberries, charcoals, and soft blues there are aplenty, with classic florals, French toiles and stripes in the fabric range, plus plain linens and co-ordinating wallpapers. There are also scatter cushions, bed linens and accessories. Christina is currently working on a new fabric collection due this autumn, which she promises will be hand-painted. Her newest collection, though, features stripes galore. 'We offer a lot of beautiful florals so stripes are calming,' she adds.

Next month, Christina will also be celebrating the launch of her sixth book, *Living Life Beautifully* (Cico Books, £25).

The theme, she says, is 'how to weave your business and your home life together in a beautiful way.' And it is a visual feast, with photographs of Christina's London apartment, her 600-year-old house in Bath, and the inspirational homes of a clutch of stylish friends, including those of Maureen Doherty of Egg and Brigitte Buchanan of Odd Limited, purveyors of garden swing seats. All of those featured, she says in the book's introduction, have 'grown up with our work'.

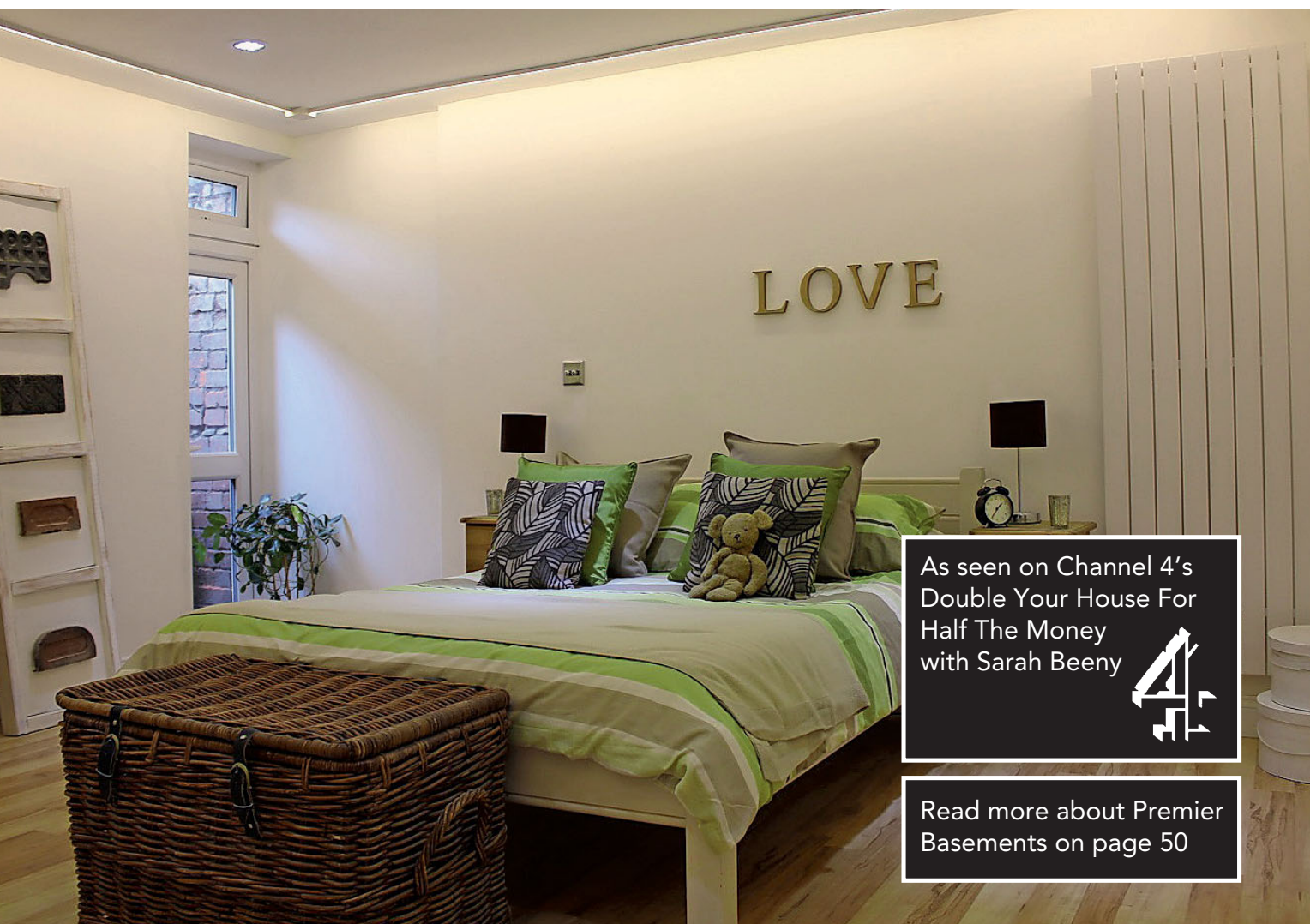
So with 2014 promising to be busy, will Christina ever get any down time? She finds it difficult to switch off, but at least the new Chelsea base is 'perfect in every way.' 'We are right at the hub, but still remain a well-kept secret,' she says. Once customers flock to the new store, we suspect, it won't be a secret for long.

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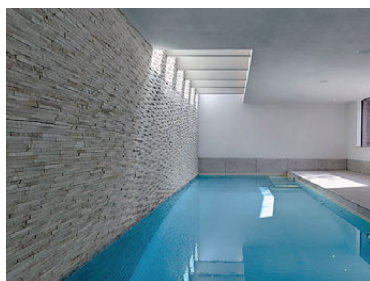
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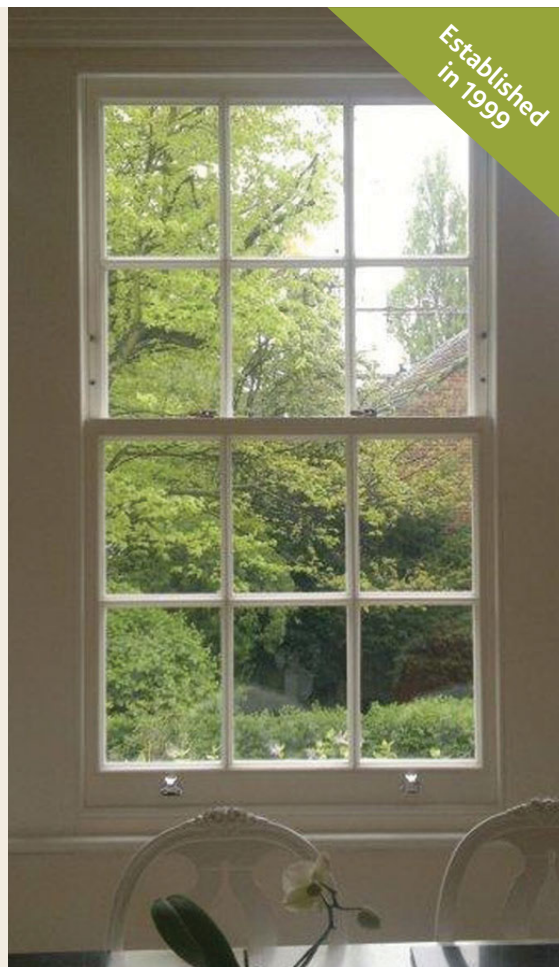
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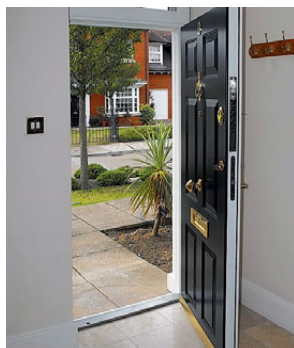


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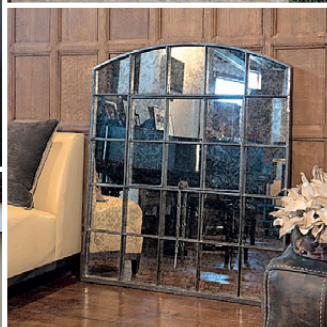


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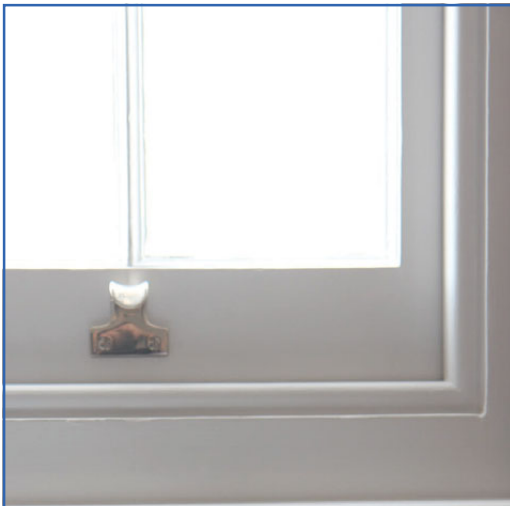
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Tamara Ralph and Michael Russo, pictured, have built a successful haute couture business together

They have gained the respect of the Paris couture community and dressed Beyoncé; now the couple behind Ralph & Russo are on track to become a household name, finds Shona Wallace

**T**here is something infinitely romantic about haute couture. The meticulous work that goes into producing a bespoke gown is a labour of love, an intimate experience of sartorial splendour, sacred to the couturier and client. Each piece has its own story, and so too does each house. In the case of Sloane Street's esteemed Ralph & Russo, this is a story of fate, love and, of course, success.

Born and bred in Australia, Michael Russo and Tamara Ralph are the couple behind Ralph & Russo, arguably the most respected couture house in London. Following a chance meeting, the duo launched the brand in 2007, utilising their respective business and design backgrounds to bring haute couture into the 21st century. Now based in Chelsea, their experiential atelier is at the epicentre of London luxury, an appointment-only enclave for their discerning clientele.

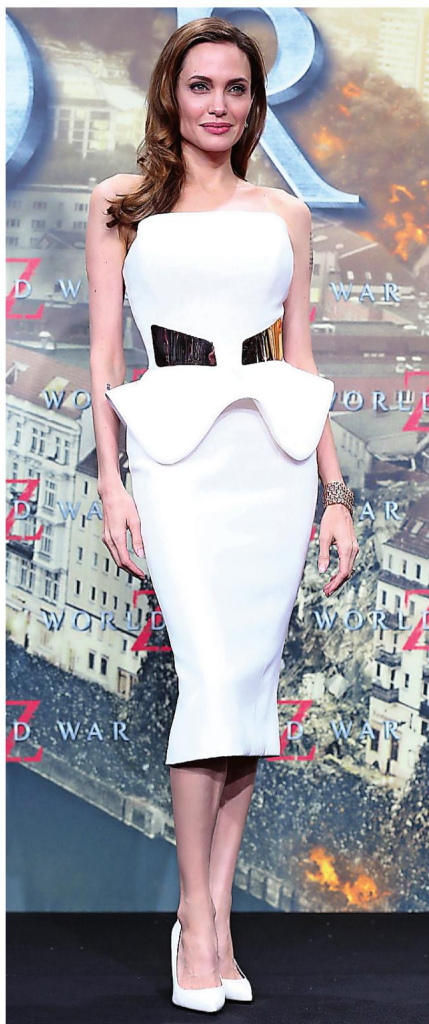
Celebrated for their graceful but modern dresses, Ralph & Russo has received great praise, and last year the duo secured a coveted position at Paris Haute Couture Week, the first British brand to do so in nearly a century.

It all began, though, on a street in Fulham. 'We actually bumped into each other by accident, so it was a chance of fate,' recalls Michael. On both accounts, it was love at first sight, and just last year, Michael took Tamara back to the very spot they met, this time with an engagement ring in tow. While the duo have put the wheels in motion, with so much planned for 2014, it is still back to business for Ralph & Russo.

Though not a natural progression, the decision to work together came early in the relationship. Following a first date at Chelsea's Buona Sera, Tamara and Michael soon recognised a synergy in their backgrounds. 'We found there was a great opportunity to do something really special,' explains Michael, 'and I think after realising where our strengths lay, it made great sense to create the brand together.'



# The Couture COUPLE



With a background in business, Michael is the CEO and president of the brand, overseeing its direction and running the business. Tamara, on the other hand, is the creative director, having grown up in a family of fashion designers. 'There was a lot of creativity in my family growing up, I was trained by my mother and grandmother when I was ten years old,' she explains, 'it was something I loved the fantasy of, and it was the only thing I wanted to do when I was very young.' For Tamara, haute couture was always the dream, and her working relationship with Michael has turned this dream into a reality.



Far left: Angelina Jolie, and left, Nieves Alvarez, wearing bespoke dresses made by Ralph & Russo; right, the couture house is renowned for its 1950s style shapes

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Working with one's other half is not without difficulty, but Michael and Tamara have found it has only made their relationship stronger. 'It's really lovely to do, this way we see each other every day and we both have a lot of respect for what we each do, and our different skills,' he enthuses. 'I think it's really great that we can share everything and watch the company grow as a unit, something we have done together.'

Over the past few years, the brand has grown by word of mouth, drawing in high-calibre clients from across the globe. With its diverse client base, there is no quiet season for Ralph & Russo, ➤





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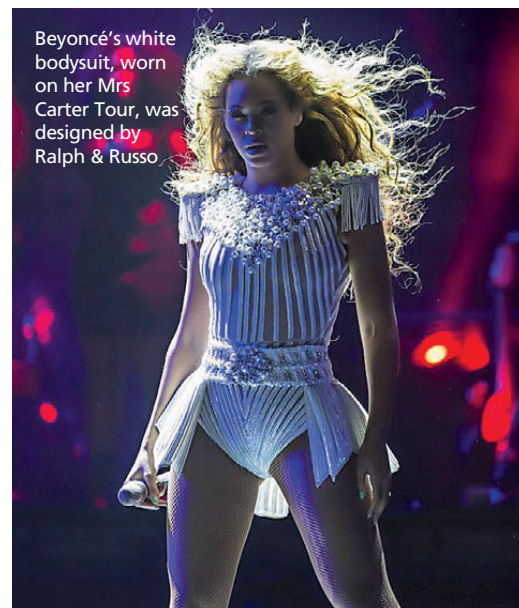
Be it dining at Michael's favourite restaurant, Scalini's, or unwinding with a movie, they find the secret of a healthy working and personal relationship is to, as Michael says, 'keep the two separate'.

Living and working in Chelsea, the couple have built up an affinity with the area, and Sloane Street was a natural choice for the first Ralph & Russo atelier. 'It is definitely the place for the brand to be,' confirms Michael, 'especially for the calibre of clients we have.' Despite its central location, the Ralph & Russo atelier is discreet and inaccessible, built to 'give visitors and clients a glimpse behind the scenes'. Michael describes it as a luxurious museum, where clients enter through a hall with a glass wall, seeing first hand the careful work that

## The duo meet with each client, talking through colours, shapes and styles, before beginning the sketches and designs

goes into every piece they create.

Exceptional design and craftsmanship are core brand values for Ralph & Russo, along with the exclusivity that has come to define the house. 'All that,' Michael adds, 'coupled with an amazing, unique experience has been the key to our success.' Naturally, an appointment with Ralph & Russo is rather special. 'There's a lot of consideration that goes into designing pieces for a particular lady,' explains Tamara, 'each piece always has the Ralph & Russo look to it, but we very much take into consideration her



Beyoncé's white bodysuit, worn on her Mrs Carter Tour, was designed by Ralph & Russo

lifestyle and who she is.' The duo meet with each client, talking through colours, shapes and styles, before beginning sketches and designs.

In terms of style, Ralph & Russo are perhaps best known for their elegant, glamorous creations, worn by the likes of Angelina Jolie and Beyoncé. 'We are well-known for our intricate embroidery, beautiful modern bodies and 1950s style shapes and we wanted to bring that across in our Paris collection,' says Tamara, 'so I think those elements have very much become a Ralph & Russo signature.' Although they are known for being very select about where they show their collections, when the pair were invited by the Chambre Syndicale de la Haute Couture to showcase their designs at Paris Haute Couture Week, it was an offer they couldn't refuse.

Inspired by Lillian Bassman's book of photography from the 1940s and 50s, this year's debut at the respected Paris fashion event seeks to show the world who Ralph & Russo are. 'I wanted to show the silhouettes and detailing that have made us the brand we are today,' explains Tamara, 'and I wanted to pay homage to France, so a lot of the embroidery designs are inspired by various French gardens.' With a dazzling setting to complement the pieces, Michael and Tamara are channelling the theatrics of haute couture.

The underlying theme, however, is that of true romance, one that unites every project. With their sights set on international expansion, a line of luxury evening bags and, of course, a wedding to plan, 2014 is set to be a landmark year for Chelsea's haute couture couple.

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## essential STYLE

By Shona Wallace

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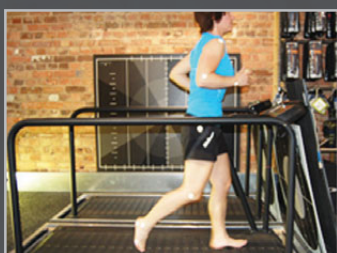
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# A passage to INDIA

Holland & Holland encompasses true British luxury, but their latest collection is inspired by Indian design. Here its creative director, Niels van Rooyen casts his keen eye over the label's vision for SS14, writes Trudie Carter-Pavelin

Gabardine safari jacket,  
£450, tiger print skirt  
£395, elephant print  
shirt, £225



**F**ounded in 1835, Holland & Holland's legacy is a rich tapestry, deeply rooted in high society and country life. Primarily a gun manufacturer, it has since branched into lifestyle, producing seasonal fashion collections, accessories and bespoke pieces. Despite the clothes being designed with country pursuits in mind, creative director Niels van Rooyen is passionate about urbanising the brand.

In 2014, Holland & Holland can be found out of the countryside; in fact their signature, exclusive tweed design can be spotted on many a Chelsea socialite. 'You don't have to shoot to buy the collection,' Niels explains. His designs are versatile enough to offer both practical protection against the great British weather, and a modern approach to luxury. 'You can't alienate the gun people, and the country set, which are an incredibly strong society in their own right. You must make the clothes the best of their kind,' Niels tells me. Cashmere shooting jackets allow for wearability without restricting the traditional style. 'It's a very fine line,' Niels explains. He describes his ideal customer as someone who understands the shooting world; 'but is also very modern. He takes it back to the country, being the proper English gentleman in the shoot.'

At the heart of Holland & Holland is a passion for British craftsmanship, and 70% of each collection is handmade in the UK. 'All our shooting socks are knitted by hand, by about 75 older ladies all over the country, with four needles, and it takes one week to knit one pair,' Niels says with a swell of pride. Holland & Holland is fast emerging as frontrunners in all-British luxury clothing. 'We will never go offshore to China to be commercial in that sense, because our collections are far too focused, and small and unique.'

For the SS14 collection, the brand takes inspiration from the exquisite colours and prints worn by ancient



Elephant and peacock bangle

Blazer, £1,395, peacock waistcoat, £595, cotton drill trousers, £225, Indian elephant woven tie, £110



## For this collection, I met up with a gentleman in India who does all the royal weddings and garments for maharajas

Indian princes. Niels approached the collection hands-on, travelling to India to get a taste for the culture. 'The label used to supply a lot of sporting guns and rifles to the maharajas of India. So for this collection, I met up with a gentleman called Umang Hutheesing, who does all the royal weddings and garments for the maharajas,' Niels explains. The relationship blossomed as he was invited to meet with some of the country's most distinguished royalty, and together with Umang Hutheesing, the collection was put together at the Indian centre for textile in Delhi.

The silk prints in the collection are adorned with India's sacred animals, the monkey, elephant and most prominently, the tiger. 'It's got to have a story,' Niels affirms. 'It's got to have elements of

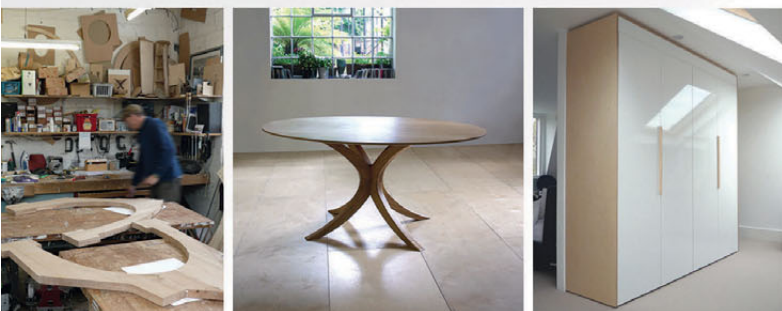
history. We are bringing out a cufflink with a tiger design, and there's some fabulous gold jewellery.' The image of a tiger is embedded throughout, printed onto silk shirts and embroidered slippers, adding quirky details to create a refined, personalised garment. 'In the neck of the men's shirts, if you move the cuff back you'll find images of the tigers. All those elements came through in the silk finishes,' Niels explains.

Staying true to Holland & Holland's appreciation for authentic garment artistry, many of the main pieces for spring are bespoke and laboriously hand-embroidered, recreating the traditional splendour of the maharaja's original clothing. Niels fell in love with the traditional nature of Indian craftsmanship, something he describes as 'handcrafted by families at home, through the generations, sitting on the floor. That was the full inspiration, for both the Indian embroidery elements and the safari collection.' Signature bespoke pieces, such as the bolero jacket and embroidered shawl, sold long before spring had even arrived, for £6,000 and £2,500 respectively.

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collection this spring, however, all hope is not lost. An altogether more commercial Indian safari collection is available this month, which effortlessly blends exotic prints and pops of colour with an English intrepid spirit.

Niels is reluctant to name his favourite item from the collection in its entirety, but he has a soft spot for the silk bathrobes, which come in two colours and were exclusively designed for Harrods. 'They are so exquisite. Our little exclusives work very well in Harrods, which is an international platform for us,' he says.

Securing a spot in Harrods is exciting exposure for any label, but the true spirit of Holland & Holland is encompassed within its flagship store. Niels warmly invites me to visit their showroom in Mayfair. He describes the interior fondly: 'the whole place is like an English country home, with gun rooms, and the inspiration will always be the gun – with silver engraving on the side locks, and walnut wood.' It is clear that, from the store's décor to the metals used in the jewellery, the distinguished image of the gun is the brand's bread and butter. 'And, of course,' Niels says dreamily, 'with Holland & Holland being a country pursuit business, we have all the elements in the world as a source of our inspiration.'

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Short sleeved shirt, £170  
with safari skirt, £295;  
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Holland & Holland's signature bespoke pieces, such as the bolero jacket and the embroidered shawl, sold long before spring had even arrived



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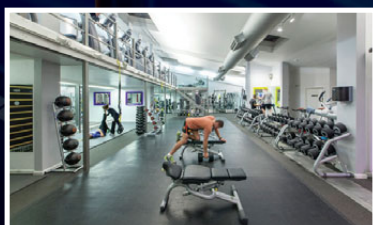
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# Lace & luxury

Simona Walters, owner Dolci Follie, on how to choose the perfect Valentine's Day lingerie

## WHAT'S A GOOD UNIVERSAL PURCHASE FOR LINGERIE?

For those who are completely unsure of sizes, I suggest some seductive nightwear such as a sheer babydoll, or luxurious loungewear like a pure silk kimono. It's easier to guess the size and they're gorgeous items to cherish.

## WHERE DO MALE BUYERS OFTEN GO WRONG WITH VALENTINE'S DAY GIFTS?

Often men are so afraid of getting it wrong that they play it safe and end up choosing something boring or frumpy – not at all flattering!

## WHAT DO YOU PREDICT WILL BE YOUR BEST VALENTINE'S DAY SELLER?

Our Amor set from Fleur of England is an exquisite lace and silk set in deep red; sophisticated and sexy. It's fun to give something frivolous on Valentine's, so I expect our cheeky Fräulein Kink accessories to be popular too.

## WHAT MAKES LINGERIE A GOOD GIFT?

Valentine's Day is all about giving luxurious gifts that you wouldn't usually buy for yourself – lingerie is perfect as it is romantic and thoughtful, a little bit of luxury for her to enjoy.

## HOW CAN LINGERIE CHANGE A WOMAN'S LOOK?

The right lingerie can truly transform a woman's look – it's all about confidence. A beautiful, well-fitting lingerie set will make a woman look and feel amazing, and it's that confidence that makes all the difference.

## WHAT'S A GOOD GIFT FOR A WOMAN WHO'S NEW TO LINGERIE?

A pretty lace set with a matching suspended belt would be a good choice. She can wear the suspended belt and stockings if she's feeling daring.



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ensemble: Top, £291,  
skirt, £626

## WHAT NEW PRODUCTS HAVE YOU GOT IN FOR VALENTINE'S DAY?

Lace long kaftans to use as loungewear or beachwear from a new German stockist named Felice Couture.

## HOW WILL YOU BE SPENDING VALENTINE'S DAY?

During the day I will be at the shop helping my male clients choose the perfect gift for their partners. In the evening; a low key dinner with my husband at home in front of the fire.

## WHAT'S YOUR ADVICE FOR A SHY MAN BUYING UNDERWEAR FOR HIS OTHER HALF?

If he's too shy to come into the shop, he can also buy online. We have our full collection on the website and offer gift-wrapping for online orders also.

## WHAT CAN LINGERIE DO TO MAKE THE DAY MORE ROMANTIC?

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## Valentine blush crush

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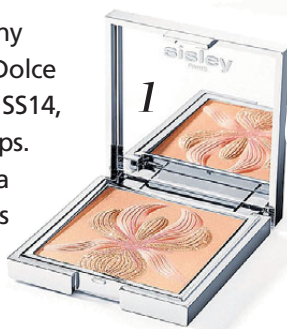
that sculpt features and refract the light (available at Liberty;

Liberty.co.uk). Fusing radiant shades with a vitamin-rich formula, Elizabeth Arden's Beautiful

Colour Radiance Blush in Sweet Peach, £20 (2), gives a long-lasting glow while soothing and protecting the skin (available at John Lewis;

johnlewis.com). For a weightless sweep of

colour, try Diorblush in Gold Addict, £30 (3), a revisitation of Dior's cult blush with a new, gorgeously blendable texture (available at Harrods; Harrods.com).



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# LUXE LOOKS



Edited by Mary-Jane Milsher

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### Kamini

Holistic is a word that's bandied about all too often these days. Everyone from dentists to bank managers seem to have adopted the term. But to Kamini Spa, tucked away off Kensington Church Street, it's more than just a buzzword. I had the pleasure of being treated by Kamini herself, and was welcomed more like a friend than a client – for a simple eyebrow threading, she took the time to get to know me, my style and my preferred look; and performed the threading with an expertise that upheld her solid reputation as an 'eyebrow designer.'

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# A running start

Psychotherapist William Pullen's use of Dynamic Running Therapy links both body and mind to address issues of stress, anxiety and depression

**I**t is normally about this time of year people start to think about changes they want to make in their life. For some this will mean readdressing their work or personal life, while others pledge to improve their health.

Kensington based psychotherapist William Pullen offers a therapy that addresses mind, body and spirit, taking therapy out of the consulting room and into some of London's most beautiful areas. We caught up with William to find out more about the benefits of Dynamic Running Therapy (DRT).

## WHAT EXACTLY IS DRT, IT SOUNDS INSPIRING?

DRT is the linking of movement with traditional talk therapy. It replaces the static atmosphere of the therapist's office with an outside environment rich in life and possibility.

## WHAT KIND OF MOVEMENT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

We could be walking or running. But then we could be sitting too. DRT is very much client led, so they make the decision. If it's relevant, we may

examine some of those decisions to better understand how the client is moving in the world.

## SO THIS IS NOT A GET-FIT QUICK PROGRAMME?

No. I am not a personal trainer. I am a psychotherapist. But the body is important, it tells us so much about the spirit, about what we are feeling deep down inside. Movement helps us to experience and express that feeling – the emotion in motion if you like. DRT can result in a step-by-step 'metronomic' sense of real progress.

## CAN YOU GIVE AN EXAMPLE OF THAT?

We will look to see if your challenges in life are enacted in how you move in the world and in the sessions. Do you get ahead of yourself, or hold yourself back? Do you pace yourself, but can never just let go?

## WHAT DO YOU THINK MAKES DRT SO POWERFUL?

Clients feel they are taking bodily, decisive steps towards addressing their

issues, linking movement with intention. Also, the client sees the therapist share in each step of their journey, and that can make for a more trusting relationship.

## WHAT ISSUES WOULD DRT BE USEFUL FOR?

DRT is suitable for most issues. An example is someone experiencing depression. They will not only enjoy the added lift provided by exercise but it's also proactive. This can feel really rewarding after experiencing feelings of powerlessness.

## DO CLIENTS NEED TO BE FIT?

Not at all. As I said it's as much about sitting as it is walking or running. But I do encourage clients to challenge themselves a little. I'm such a believer in the benefits of movement.

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# Food NEWS

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## IN GOOD SPIRITS

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## NEW ARRIVAL

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✦ [burgerjoint.co.uk](http://burgerjoint.co.uk)

## LIGHTER THAN LIGHT

If you still want to have a bit of fun in early 2014 but are trying to be virtuous, then check out the new low-calorie champagne, the Lopez-Martin 'Henri Martin' Extra Brut, which is specifically designed for figure-conscious dieters and has no sugar in it, making it

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# 3 of the best Valentine's Gifts

It's the month of love and romance. To celebrate in style, here are three lovely things to make your heart beat that bit faster

## ROSÉ CHAMPAGNE VALENTINE'S SET

Make a romantic gesture with a bottle of rosé. One of our favourites is the divinely stylish and delicious Laurent-Perrier, which this year is coming in a set with William Curley chocolates. £59.99.

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# Tom Parker Bowles

Restaurants, surely, are no place for child's play? Not so, as London's finest establishments strike the right balance

A few weeks back, I took lunch at the Langley branch of Harvester. Why, I hear you cry? Is London so bereft of edible excitement that I have to motor 20 minutes down the M4 to get my culinary thrills from a nationwide chain of half-baked grills? Of course not. I was reviewing the place for The Mail on Sunday, and the food was predictably depressing. Even my two children, open-minded, junk-loving veterans of every level of eating, were unanimous in their disdain.

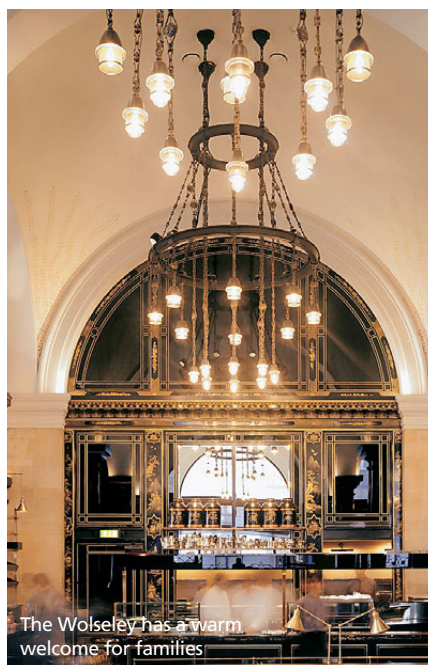
But forget about the flabby chicken wings, with their limp skin and utter lack of taste, and the place was fantastic. Seriously, the service was warm, smiling and charming, and the children were allowed to scribble and snivel and spill to their hearts' content. If it weren't for the filthy tucker, Harvester would be a fine family restaurant. Then again, what exactly is a proper family restaurant?

Anywhere that sells themselves as a place 'for all the family' should be avoided like the Harvester burger. Why? Because most decent restaurants don't panic at the sight of a brace of under sixes. Nor do they feel a need to construct a separate menu, cooked by the plongeur in the few seconds between a fag break and the next crashing load of crockery. In Europe, children in restaurants is no big deal, as there's a food culture that treats all with equal adoration. And I have no problem with places that say no thanks to the kids. Sometimes, you want to eat in hushed peace and restaurants that deal in the more 'haute' end of gastronomy often resent endless requests for chicken nuggets and chips.

My two, though, have been dragged all around the capital in search of lunch. There have been failures – great tear and snot soaked disasters – where we've had to leg it minutes after the first course in order to avoid a lynching from both punters and staff. But on the whole, most decent places are, well, decent towards the children. From Bayswater Chinese dim sum joints to Marylebone Japanese, children are broadly welcomed. Well, unless they set up a



There are relatively few decent restaurants that don't welcome children, as long as the parents know how to behave



Marvel Avengers camp by the entrance to the kitchen.

Our favourite place is Le Café Anglais ([lecafeanglais.co.uk](http://lecafeanglais.co.uk)), a place they pretty much grew up in. Wonderful staff, huge room, lots of crayons, proper children's food. And a magician on Sunday. There's nowhere better, for children and adults alike. And despite Locanda Locatelli having a Michelin star, the restaurant, from Giorgio downwards, positively embrace the young 'uns. That's the Italian way. The same can be said for all those wonderfully old fashioned Chelsea places, from La Famiglia to Zianni.

Pubs that serve decent grub are another reliable option. We spend most Saturdays eating in either The Princess Victoria ([princessvictoria.co.uk](http://princessvictoria.co.uk)) on Uxbridge Road, and The Anglesea Arms ([theangleseearms.com](http://theangleseearms.com)), just by Ravenscourt Park. Perfect pasta, and lovely front of house too. For a birthday treat, you can't ever do better than The Wolseley ([thewolseley.com](http://thewolseley.com)), where high tea becomes high art and the kids are treated like A-listers. As they are at The Delaunay ([thedelaunay.com](http://thedelaunay.com)) and Colbert ([colbertchelsea.com](http://colbertchelsea.com)). And lunch at Balthazar is as much a joy with children as it is without. These are serious places, run by brilliant restaurateurs who welcome children with open arms.

Byron ([byronhamburgers.com](http://byronhamburgers.com)) is ever reliable, and Pizza Express ([pizzaexpress.co.uk](http://pizzaexpress.co.uk)) keeps them happy too, along with Pizza East ([pizzaeastportobello.com](http://pizzaeastportobello.com)).

In fact, there are relatively few decent restaurants that don't welcome children, as long as the parents know how to behave. Just as much as we, the parent, expect good service, so too should our children learn to respect the restaurant. They are not prissy temples, where even a sneeze is seen as sacrosanct, but neither are they no-holds-barred playgrounds. Once this balance has been established then lunch out with the kids, so often a chore, becomes a joy. Well, most of the time.

❖ Do you agree with Tom? Where do you think the best family-friendly restaurants are? Visit [theresident.co.uk](http://theresident.co.uk) to have your say



A man with short, dark, wavy hair and a light beard is sitting at a dark wooden table. He is wearing a white chef's shirt and a dark blue apron with white vertical stripes. He is looking towards the camera with a slight smile, and his right hand is raised to his ear. The background is a light-colored wall with a framed yellow and black abstract painting on the left and a white door with a brass handle on the right.

# Pièce de RÉSISTANCE

Boulestin restaurant takes its name from the man who brought French cuisine to Britain, and now its chef, Andrew Woodford, is continuing his culinary legacy



## WHO WAS XAVIER MARCEL BOULESTIN?

Xavier Marcel Boulestin was a French chef, restaurateur, and the author of many cookery books that introduced French cuisine to a British audience. He was a visionary of his time and was the first TV chef to appear on the BBC, in 1937. He opened his restaurant, Boulestin in Covent Garden in 1927 serving most traditional French food.

## WHAT WAS DIFFERENT ABOUT HIS APPROACH?

Boulestin was undoubtedly the first of his kind; very much before his time in terms of his cooking and approach to food. He made French food accessible to cook in English households through his simple recipes and his unintimidating use of language in his cookbooks. All in all he was a pioneer of sorts, reminding us to value the simplicity of food and honest, decent cooking.

## WHAT DO YOU ADMIRE ABOUT HIS WORK?

The fact that his creations are made with feeling and not weights and measures. If you read his recipes, very rarely does he give a quantity in his methods, you have to cook with emotion and a sense of self belief. I believe that this is what makes for a fantastic tasting dish.

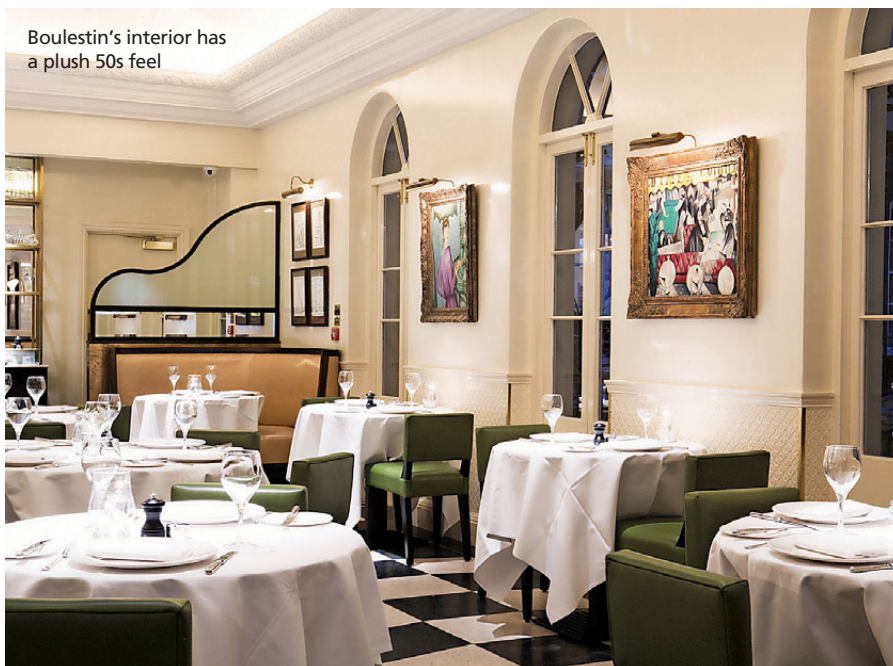
## HOW DID YOU COME TO WORK AT BOULESTIN?

After several years working for the same employer I felt it was time for a change. I took some time off from the busy kitchen environment. During this time I was approached and asked if Boulestin would be of interest to me. I met with Joel Kissin, the owner and became quite fascinated with the concept.

## WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT FRENCH CUISINE?

I love the indulgent aspect of the cuisine and also the diversity of French food. The fact that it can be so complex like a cassoulet for example or something as

Boulestin's interior has a plush 50s feel



## Boulestin was a visionary of his time and was the first TV chef to appear on the BBC in 1937

simple as a grilled red mullet, yet still be full of flavour and suitable to eat for all manner of occasions.

## WHY IS FRENCH CUISINE STILL SO SYNONYMOUS WITH ROMANCE?

I think it has a lot to do with the luxury that is attached to French cooking. Also, with French food, there is a lot of care and attention that goes into every dish and preparation, a lot of passion goes into the food, something that I try to instil in my team here at Boulestin.

## WHAT WILL YOU BE DOING THIS VALENTINE'S DAY?

My wife is due to give birth on the 11th of February, so this Valentine's Day will be an interesting one to say the least!

## WHAT CAN CUSTOMERS EXPECT FROM BOULESTIN?

Classic and delicious French food at fair prices, served in a beautiful and convivial restaurant with a great atmosphere and unobtrusive friendly service. And we'll have outside seating in warmer weather.

## WHEN YOU HAVE A NIGHT OFF, WHERE DO YOU LIKE TO DINE IN WEST LONDON?

I like busy and vibrant restaurants. Balthazar in Covent Garden and Brasserie Zédel on Sherwood Street are two of my favourites. They have great concepts that really capture the hustle and bustle of a great French brasserie.

## WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR BOULESTIN IN 2014?

To carry on serving great food, deal with the extra challenge of the outside seating and take on the huge responsibility of a new baby.

## WHAT BOULESTIN DISH ARE YOU MOST EXCITED ABOUT?

Oeuf en Gelee and cassoulet have been two of the most challenging but also most rewarding dishes to make. Ever since we have opened they have continued to be popular and have almost become a signature favourite for our regular customers. Again, just another example of how to cook simple food really well.

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### THE IMPERIAL

Situated in what used to be a pub co-owned by Tamara Beckwith, The Imperial (now losing the 'Arms' part of its name), situated in the most obscure part of the King's Road, has changed for the better. Gone is the rather uncertain feel to the place. It has become an upmarket and chic establishment, with crisply whitewashed walls, a good range of beers and wines and a well-chosen menu which, ambitiously, is serving breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Under the chef Tom Hope, the dishes are superbly cooked and beautifully presented, but occasionally feel as if they're not confident enough in their own ingredients, with an awful lot going on in each one. It's all delicious, but sometimes perhaps half the effort would produce as satisfying a result. Wines by the glass and bottle are well chosen, reasonably priced, and they get extra brownie points for featuring 500ml carafes – the perfect amount if you want to share something which isn't quite a bottle with a friend. Overall, then, a vast improvement for The Imperial – and it may yet get even better.

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## RESTAURANT REVIEW

# Geales

The word 'institution' is much overused, but in the case of the venerable Geales, sitting snugly on Chelsea Green as it has done since 1939, it is, for once, justified. Purveyor of some of London's best fish and seafood both here and in its sister establishment in Notting Hill, this place belies its age with a slick, contemporary feel to its interior. The A-list clientele who pop in for a relaxing and invariably delicious meal feel just as welcome as the locals or visiting food connoisseurs.

When we visited, the ebullient and charismatic proprietor, Mark Fuller, was in, sharing gossip and tips with aplomb. It was on his recommendation that we shared a brilliant dish of mussels, cooked in a cider and bacon sauce, to start, and also nibbled daintily on a prawn cocktail that defied its association with the days of Abigail's Party.

The highlights of the evening were the main courses, namely a perfectly presented plaice and chips and, possibly even better, the lobster burger, Fuller's own creation that is not only an absolute bargain at £13.95, but tastes utterly delicious. Washed down with a well-chosen bottle of Chablis, it's hard to think of any meal that could beat it. Credit must go to the hugely talented executive chef here, Oliver Burgess, who

manages to synthesise the various demands of the old and the new into something rather special.

We were slightly too full to take full advantage of pudding, but the Chelsea Tidy – a variant on Eton Mess – seemed to live up to its name by being a rather sumptuous treat. Leaving replete and more than satisfied, we made plans for a return in the near future, and a wish that, 75 successful years old, Geales manages to extend its reign for at least the same amount of time again.

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The majestic Table Mountain scrapes the skyline over Cape Town

# The long and short of it

Long haul just isn't the haul it used to be. Victoria Purcell heads for Tokyo and Catherine McCabe for Cape Town on two brief but amazing journeys

## CAPE TOWN

On the 5 December, the death of Nelson Mandela was announced. In the days that followed, crowds gathered in Cape Town for his memorial service, at the very site where Mandela gave his first address outside City Hall as a free man, following his release from prison in 1990. On my visit to Cape Town, three months before his death, the tributes to 'Madiba' could be seen at every turn.

It's hard to imagine a former British leader's image being used for anything but graffiti on London's streets – but in Cape Town, the people's dedication to Mandela is palpable. And for 2014, all eyes are on the city, and not just because of Mandela's passing. This year marks the 20th anniversary of South Africa's first democratic elections, which marked

an end to apartheid law.

The usual tourist spots still hold significance on any Cape Town trip. At the edge of the city, Table Mountain tips the sky, calling out for visitors to scale its surface, where you might just find a zebra grazing on the slopes. Then there is Robben Island, where visitors can explore the prison where Mandela spent 18 years of his 27-year sentence in an eight-by-eight-foot cell.

Just weeks after the Mandela memorial, Cape Town celebrated NYE with an incredible light show and launched its 2014 run as the new World Design Capital. The committee behind the WDC are exploring the world beyond art installations, and instead are looking at the very fabric of the city and its physical scars of apartheid.

In Langa, the city's oldest township, projects like the 'Langa Quarter' are seeking to create a mini New Orleans, promoting the area's vibrant jazz scene, food and community art. And The Maboneng Township Arts Experience has created a sort of London's First Thursdays for Cape Town, a public arts exhibition that turns township homes into galleries and the outdoor spaces into performance districts.

These initiatives offer much more than perfunctory township tourism –



Mount Nelson Hotel

they seek to break down the physically entrenched apartheid of the city's divided infrastructure. This is not a tribute to Mandela, but a continuation of what he fought so hard for – freedom, equality, and change. If there was ever a time to visit Cape Town – 2014 is it.

## TRIP NOTES

❖ The Mount Nelson (affectionately known as The Nellie), was established in 1899 and home to war correspondent Winston Churchill during the Boer War. Their afternoon tea is famous with locals, and The Planet restaurant serves green-friendly, Michelin-star worthy food: 76 Orange Street; 00 27 21 483 1000; mountnelson.co.za

❖ Cox & Kings (0845 154 8941; coxandkings.co.uk) has a 10-day / 7-night self-drive Taste of South Africa tour priced from £1,995 per person including flights from Heathrow with British Airways, airport transfer, accommodation with breakfast daily and car hire. A 3-night upgrade to the Mount Nelson Hotel is priced from £285 per person.



City Hall, Cape Town



## TOKYO

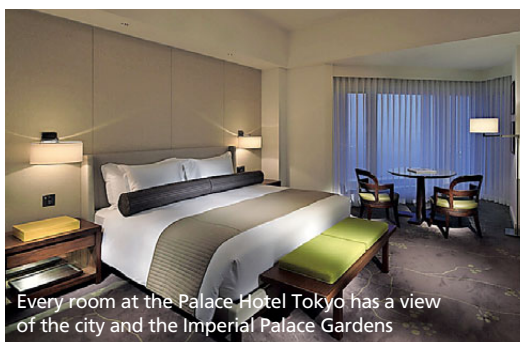
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LOVES

The glorious outer gardens of the Imperial Palace are visible from the Palace Hotel Tokyo

Tokyo is vast and sprawling, but if you're savvy about it, you can cover its furiously beating heart in a short stay. (It's a 12-hour flight, but fly business class with Japan Airlines and you should arrive fresh as a daisy.)

The incredible transport network means it's easy and quick to get around, but the myriad lines can be daunting, so ask your hotel concierge for a map and advice. The best way to tackle this fascinating city – an unrivalled combination of the über contemporary and the quaintly traditional – and to dissolve that language barrier, is to hire a guide.

We headed off to discover some of Tokyo's highlights with Tyler Palma of InsideJapan Tours. He took us to Tsukiji fish market, which tops most of the travel guides as a must-see. Get there at the crack of dawn for the frenetic tuna auctions, or rock up around 7am for the freshest sushi breakfast you'll ever eat. The ramen there is top notch too. We also visited the tranquil Hama Rikyu gardens,



Every room at the Palace Hotel Tokyo has a view of the city and the Imperial Palace Gardens

bordered by a cluster of skyscrapers. We stopped for green tea served by kimono-clad staff in a peaceful teahouse on the seawater ponds, before wandering on to see the Ghibli clock, the world's largest mechanically animated clock, designed by film director Hayao Miyazaki of *Spirited Away* and *Howl's Moving Castle* fame.

We then hopped on a couple of trains to Shimokitazawa, an off-the-tourist-trail shopping hub with a touch of Shoreditch about it, with its maze of quirky little 'hipster' boutiques and coffee shops.

Other big draws include the imposing Meiji Shrine on the outskirts of Yoyogi Park, downtown Tokyo, set at the end of a peaceful tree-lined pedestrian avenue, and Sanja-sama shrine in Asakusa, flanked by busy market stalls selling souvenirs. We were guided by Izumi Hirano (arranged by our hotel), who also took us to Omotesando, a relatively new shopping district billed as Tokyo's Champs-Élysées, with some very impressive

architecture. Stop for lunch at Heiroke, about half way up Omotesando, a bustling, good value kaiten (conveyor belt) sushi restaurant. Then hunt out Takeshita Street, which runs parallel to Omotesando to the north east – it's a mecca for Japan's teen culture and a real sight to behold.

For more shopping, head to Shibuya for *Harajuku Girl* fashion, or for flagship stores by brands like Gucci, Chanel, Carolina Herrera, Apple and Sony, make for Ginza, where you'll also find Mitsukoshi, which is the Japanese equivalent of Selfridges.

For an internationally minded hotel that's proud of its Japanese heritage, stay at the recently refurbished Palace Hotel Tokyo. Situated moat-side, adjacent to the Imperial Palace Gardens, it has beautiful views. The interior is understated luxury with delicate Japanese touches, and the cuisine is top notch, ranging from French to Chinese and, of course, Japanese. It also features Japan's first Evian Spa, so should the dreaded jet lag strike, send it packing with a steam and a massage.



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## TRIP NOTES

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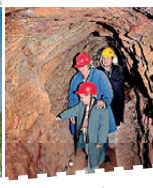
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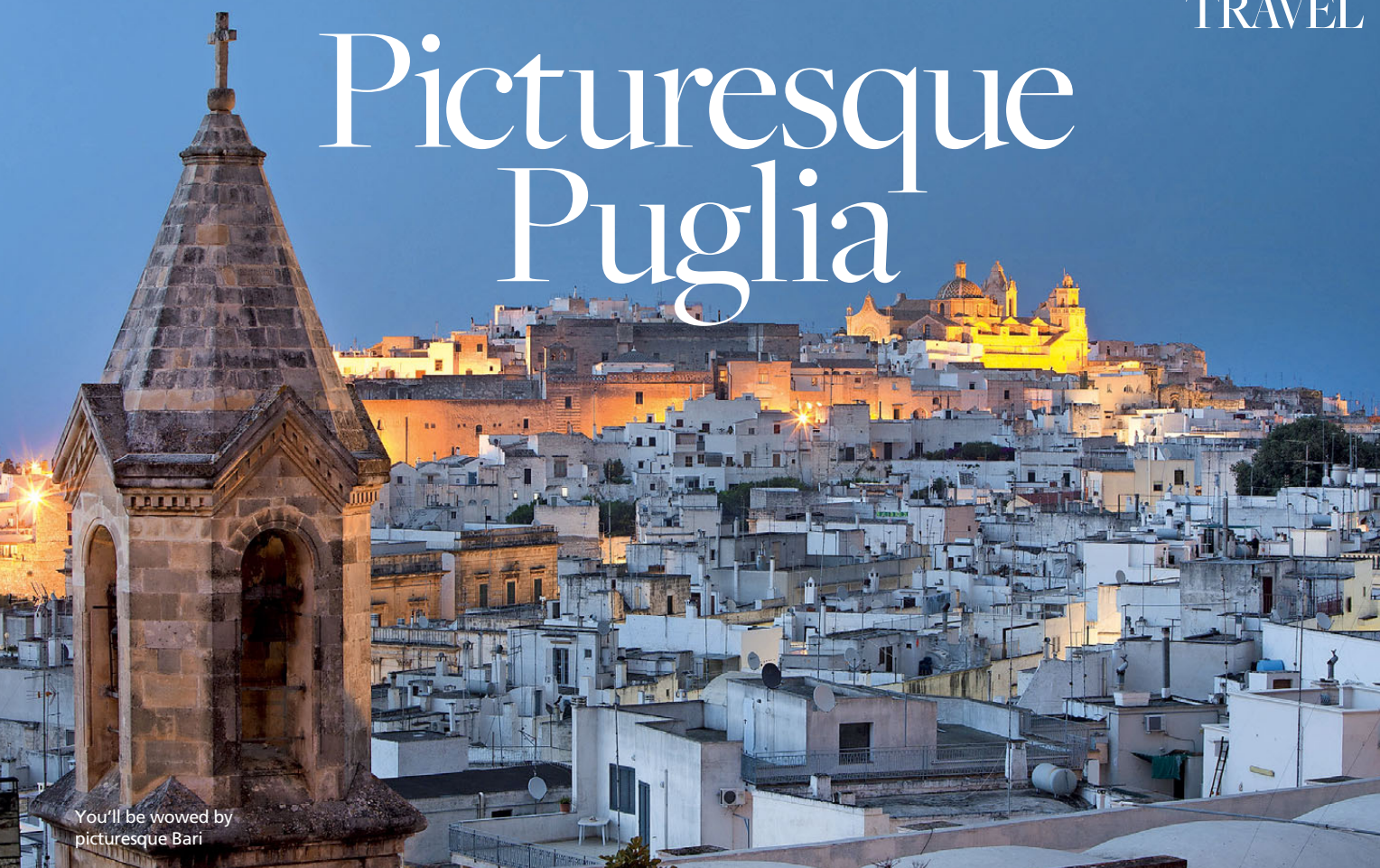
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# Picturesque Puglia



You'll be wowed by picturesque Bari

With turquoise seas, impressive architecture and gastronomic delights, Puglia makes the perfect destination for a mini break, as Janelle Butterfield discovers

**T**ranslated as 'land of no rain', Puglia, in Italy's most south-easterly point, is something of a hidden gem. Far from the vast crowds of Rome or Venice, Italians themselves head to the region each summer, looking for food, beaches and culture with a laid-back approach. Situated on the Adriatic coast, Puglia is basked in sunshine all year round, making it an easy choice for those looking for a more laid back mini break.

First stop, with its cobbled streets and whitewash facades, is the capital city of Bari. While the New Town holds a buzzing port, Bari's Old Town is classic Italian fare, complete with Vespa scooters, cobbled lanes and whitewashed walls. From watching local women wax lyrical as they make fresh pasta to sitting outside with a cappuccino, the ambience

here is relaxed as locals disappear for an afternoon siesta.

With over 60 million olive trees in this region alone it's no surprise that Puglia is something of a gastronomic centrepiece, with the food here full of flavour and freshly prepared wherever you go. From buttery pasta in Bari to creamy gelato in Lecce, food here is an art form.

For foodies in search of Italian cuisine teamed with rustic charm, Masseria Montenapoleone in the Itria Valley has it in abundance. A family-run resort comprising of twenty farmhouse villas, guests can take part in pizza making lessons or twice-weekly sit down dinners. Head to the pool at twilight for a glass of prosecco and that all important apéritif with fellow guests.

Meanwhile, ice-cream connoisseurs should head to the picturesque village of Polignano, where cobbled streets give way to stunning views of the Adriatic, and gelato is the local delicacy. Despite its reputation as a modest fishing village, Polignano is fast becoming a stop-off

for the rich and famous as its azure blue seas and cavernous cliffs capture the imagination. Sample dinner at Hotel Ristorante Grotta Palazzese; built into the sea wall this cave-like restaurant comes to life at night.

And while even the simplest bowl of spaghetti here feels decadent, for true luxury, five-star resort Borgo Egnazia is the real gem. With access to your own private pool, a butler on call and a luxury spa, a stay here is pure bliss.

Before heading home, we stop off in the town of Lecce, which plays host to some of the region's best architecture including the awe-aspiring Basilica Di S. Croce cathedral. Enjoy a leisurely Italian lunch at Arcu te Pratu in the Trattoria Braceria and a glass of the local wine, before reluctantly journeying back to reality...



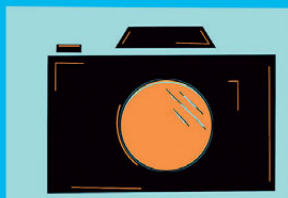
Enjoy a leisurely day out at sea in Puglia



## TRIP NOTES

- ✦ Return flights to Bari start from £85 with Easyjet.
- ✦ 3 nights at the Masseria Montenapoleone start at £292 per room based on a couple sharing; masseriamontenapoleone.com
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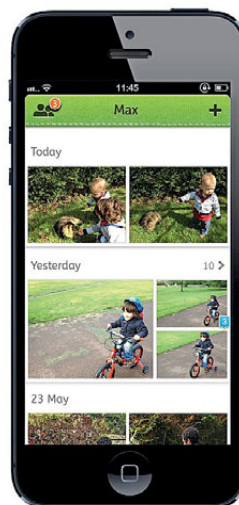
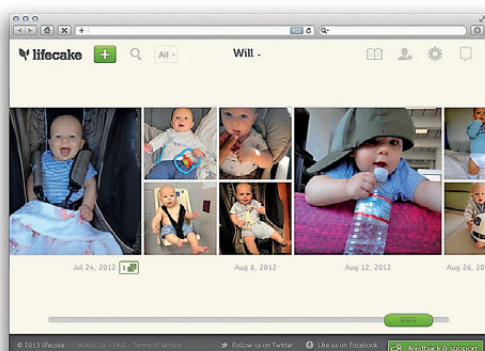


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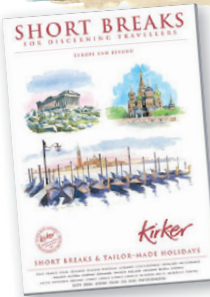
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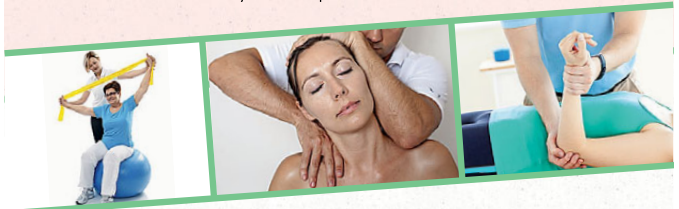
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Welcome to this month's property pages. One of the many fascinating characteristics of our capital is its ability to reinvent itself, with neighbourhoods that were formerly no-go areas becoming gentrified and buildings changing use completely. One iconic building that is currently undergoing a transformation is Scotland Yard, at the heart of a district that's also evolving into a luxury residential address. Find out more in 'Property News' on page 108.

We have also been seeking out some of the best two-bedroom homes on the market, equally perfect for professionals or investors looking for a savvy purchase, as well as revisiting one of London's best-loved districts, namely Kensington, and finding out how the local property market is faring in this perennially popular location.

*Karen*

Karen Tait, Property Editor



## EDITOR'S PICK

High ceilings, lateral living space and a large living room with dining and kitchen areas across the whole of the first floor are just some of the plus points of this charming three-bedroom mews house in Belgravia. The feature that really appealed to me, however, especially with summer still a long way off, is the wonderful winter garden.

✦ Chesham Mews, Belgravia, SW1: £6.25m (Strutt & Parker, 0207 235 9959)

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# The age of reason

At what age are you most likely to move into – or out of – the capital, and how far will you go?

If you're 32 years old, the chances are you're considering moving to the country. This is according to new research from Hamptons International, which found that this was the average age a Londoner ups sticks and moves from the capital.

The research also revealed that the average distance travelled by homebuyers moving out of London is just 26 miles.

The south-east and west are the biggest draw, with half of the 250,000 Londoners exiting the capital in 2012 relocating to these areas.

Distinct groups who move in and out of London were identified as follows:

- ✦ Those most likely to move to the capital are aged 19-25, mainly students moving into London to study, and graduates and young professionals moving for work opportunities.
- ✦ The 30-40 age group is most likely to move out, making up 27% of all moves out of London. They tend to be families with young children relocating for lifestyle reasons.
- ✦ Out-migration is becoming more popular among 25-44 year-olds: in 2012, there were 106,000 people aged between 25 and 44, the highest number since 2007 and 10,000 more than in 2011.
- ✦ Children are most likely to be moved out of the capital between one and five years old, before their schooling starts in earnest.
- ✦ Where older people are concerned, there is an uplift of those leaving the

capital at 66, likely to be retirees downsizing, often to coastal areas.

The analysis also showed that people relocating into London move furthest – an average of 34 miles – in pursuit of city life. Those escaping London only move on average just 26 miles out, perhaps still wanting or needing easy access for work or pleasure.

Of course, there are plenty of Londoners who wouldn't dream of leaving their beloved city, and these move less than 1.3 miles on average.

Johnny Morris, Head of Research at Hamptons International, comments on the findings: 'It is part of the natural life cycle of the capital that households will move out as their priorities change. Many of those leaving London are in their 30s and 40s, in search of more space and a different lifestyle. These London Leavers aren't cutting ties with the capital though – the average leaver moves just 26 miles and many will maintain their links with the capital, commuting for work and staying close enough to access to the capital's amenities and nightlife.'

Interestingly, those choosing to move within the capital typically pick a new home just 1.3 miles away. While this doesn't sound very far at all, a mile can be worth a lot in London – the difference between St John's Wood and Kilburn, Chiswick and Acton or Balham and Tooting. Londoners can find a housing market of very different character just streets away.'



32 is the average age a Londoner chooses to leave the city

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### WELL CONNECTED

As any self-respecting homeowner knows, transport links directly influence the value of property. So it's hardly surprising that many people are watching with keen interest the progress of Crossrail, Europe's largest infrastructure project. Particularly as the project is expected to increase the average house price by £60,000, according to a new report from real estate firm CBRE.

The report estimates that journey times into central London will be reduced by an average of 15 minutes, equivalent to 25%

of the current average commute. On completion, over 200 million passengers are expected to use Crossrail each year, leading to the creation of central hubs such as Paddington and Farringdon.

'The findings from this report clearly demonstrate the inextricable link between transport connections and house prices,' said Jennet Siebrits, head of residential research at CBRE.

'Since the Crossrail programme gained royal assent in 2008, house prices around affected stations have risen by 20% in excess of the London average.'



The metamorphosis of Scotland Yard into a 5-star hotel is part of a wider transformation of the area into a luxury residential address



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Due to open in 2016, the seven-storey hotel will provide 235 bedrooms and suites including a sumptuous VIP suite costing £10,000 a night. Features will include a grand entrance foyer, winter garden lounge, signature restaurant, cocktail bar and library.

The hotel is part of the transformation of the government quarter around No.10 Downing Street into a luxury address – Admiralty Arch is being converted into a hotel and residences and the Corinthia Hotel was once a government building.

The 'Yard' has a fascinating history. It was here that the Jack the Ripper and Plaistow Marshes murders were investigated, and Lord Kitchener told WWI recruits 'Your Country Needs You'. In the basement cells prisoners were

interrogated during both world wars (legend has it that this included Rudolf Hess) – the former cells will become VIP private dining rooms.

Famous novelists including Charles Dickens and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle are among Scotland Yard's visitors, and it has also been in the movies, starring as the location for the filming of the 2007 movie *Atonement*.

### SMALL REWARDS

A report from Lloyds Bank reveals that almost a third of people are considering downsizing earlier than expected, with 37% doing so as part of their retirement plans and nearly half (45%) to reduce bills. As always, there is a wide regional variation, with those downsizing in London being able to release a considerably higher amount of equity.

### Your home could fund a country retreat

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For Kensington & Chelsea homeowners, this rises to 103 out of 111 English and Welsh counties with the only areas they couldn't buy a home outright being Bath and North East Somerset, Oxfordshire, Hertfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Wokingham, Surrey, Windsor & Maidenhead and Greater London.

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Best in class technology is a must at the top end of the property market

There is no doubt that the prime central London property market has seen huge growth in recent years and there has been a continued desire to invest in property to preserve wealth in a stable market. The prime areas continue to be attractive with world renowned shopping, amenities and schooling nearby. Newly refurbished properties in the best addresses continue to achieve record prices and purchasers will pay a premium for added security, lateral living, concierge services, parking and the latest technology. Newly developed properties tend to be more attractive than refurbishment projects as people are time poor and don't want the hassle of managing such a project. The obvious upside, as well as being a sound investment, is the immediate use of hopefully a superb property in one of the best cities in the world.

A lot of the younger generation of buyers love to have the gadgets and technology but most older buyers like the simple on/off switch. This superb Lowndes Square penthouse, for example, has the best of both worlds with an iPad/touch screen control or simple wall switch to open the blinds, turn on the music, TV or even the lights! The systems are expensive but at a certain price point, and the top end of the market, high net worth individuals expect advanced future-proof technology, even if they don't maximise its use. In nearly all cases these systems can be controlled remotely, giving you the ability to control your home from the other side of the world. We recently sold a mews house where you could turn on the gas fire, air conditioning and heating remotely.

✦ James Forbes, Partner, Strutt & Parker, Sloane Street, 020 7235 9959; [struttandparker.com](http://struttandparker.com)

This newly refurbished property on Lowndes Square has superb lateral accommodation with the majority of its 3,831 sq ft layout over just one floor. It is finished to an exceptional standard, creating one of the finest apartments in the square. Offering a fully automated home control system, direct lift access and 24 hour portage, the four bedroom penthouse overlooking the communal gardens is hugely popular in this market and attractive to high net worth international purchasers. £15,950,000



At a certain price point, and the top end of the market, high net worth individuals expect advanced future-proof technology





# Size *Doesn't* Matters

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## Palace Gate W8

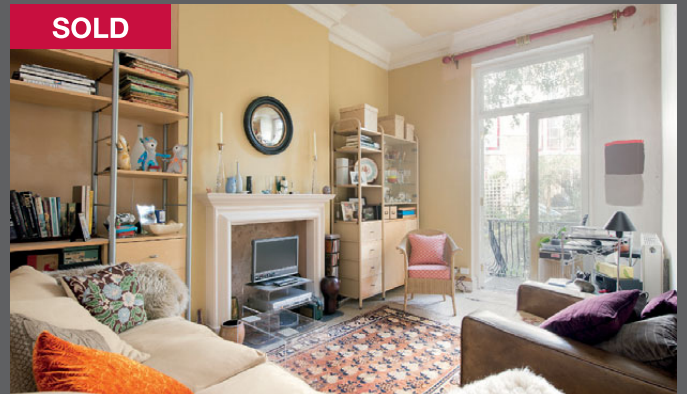
**SOLD**



A stunning maisonette with an outstanding drawing room.  
Asking price £6,250,000 Share of Freehold  
Kensington Sales 020 7938 3666

## Horbury Crescent W11

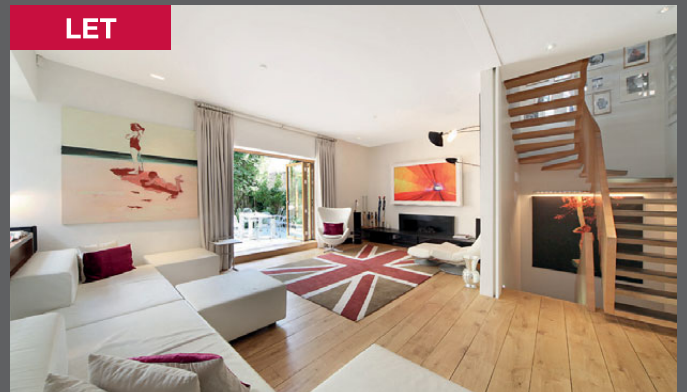
**SOLD**



58 viewings in five days, 18 bids from 12 buyers.  
Asking price £550,000 Leasehold  
Notting Hill 020 7221 1111

## Westbourne Grove W11

**LET**



The legendary Jimi Hendrix's former home.  
Asking price £10,000 per week  
Notting Hill Lettings 020 7221 1111



## Belgrave Mews South SW1

**SOLD**



The most expensive mews house in 2013.  
Asking price £10,900,000 Freehold  
Knightsbridge 020 7235 9959

## Bramham Gardens SW5

**SOLD**



Sold off market.  
Asking price £2,800,000 Leasehold  
West Chelsea 020 7373 1010

## Smith Street SW3

**SOLD**



Sold in excess of asking price.  
Asking price £850,000 Leasehold  
Chelsea 020 7225 3866

## Hornton Street W8

**SOLD**



An outstanding first floor flat.  
Asking price £1,550,000 Share of Freehold  
Kensington Sales 020 7938 3666

## Marlborough Court SW3

**LET**



A hidden gem located just off Walton Street.  
Asking price £425 per week  
Chelsea Lettings 020 7589 9966



### St Maur Road SW6

**SOLD**



A record price for the street.  
Asking price £2,200,000 Freehold  
Fulham Sales 020 7731 7100

### Uxbridge Street W8

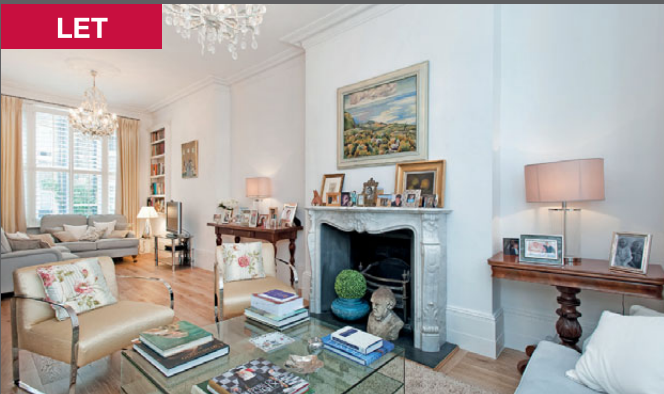
**SOLD**



A stunning house just south of Notting Hill Gate.  
Asking price £2,000,000  
Freehold  
Kensington Sales  
020 7938 3666

### Ralston Street SW3

**LET**



Let after first viewing at asking price.  
Asking price £3,200 per week  
Chelsea Lettings 020 7589 9966

### Beaufort Gardens SW3

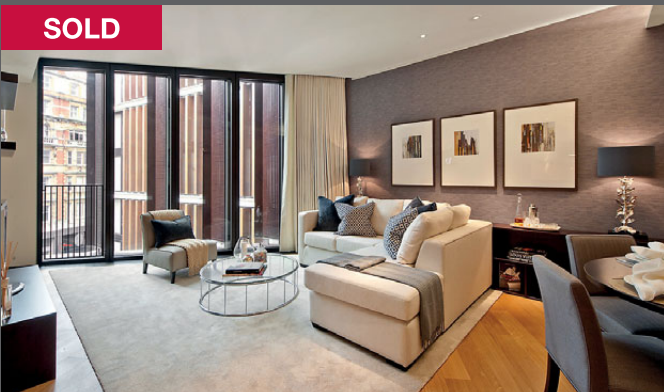
**SOLD**



Highest price per sq ft in Beaufort Gardens.  
Asking price £2,450,000  
Leasehold  
Knightsbridge Sales  
020 7235 9959

### One Hyde Park SW1

**SOLD**



Significant PR coverage achieved competitive bidding.  
Asking price £5,250,000 Leasehold  
Knightsbridge Sales 020 7235 9959

### Lincoln Street SW3

**SOLD**



Sold following competitive bidding.  
Asking price £4,300,000  
Freehold

Chelsea Sales  
020 7225 3866



## Argyll Road W8



An exceptional family house with parking and large garden.  
Guide price £8,350,000  
Freehold  
Kensington Sales  
020 7938 3666



## Winchendon Road SW6



A record price for this style of property.  
Asking price £595,000 Freehold  
Fulham 020 7731 7100

## Gloucester Walk W8



Let to a family after one viewing.  
Asking price £2,500 per week

Kensington Lettings  
020 7938 3866



## Pursers Cross Road SW6



Let in first week of marketing.  
Asking price £375 per week  
Fulham Lettings 020 7731 7100

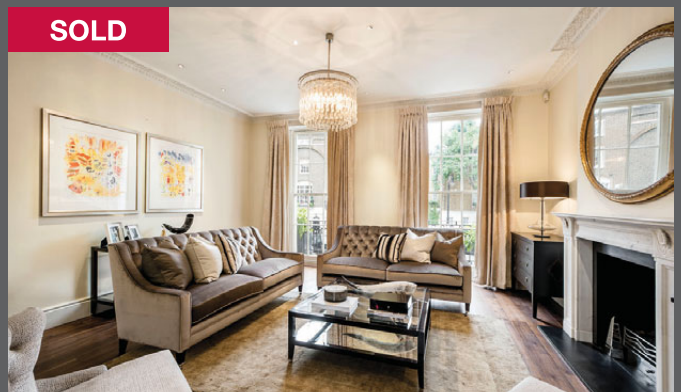
## Ormonde Gate SW3



One of the most expensive houses sold in Chelsea this year.  
Asking price £15,500,000  
Freehold  
Chelsea Sales  
020 7225 3866



## Wilton Place SW1



Sold within five days.  
Asking price £7,950,000 Freehold  
Knightsbridge Sales 020 7235 9959



### Hillgate Place W8

**SOLD**



A fabulous and special corner house.  
Asking price £2,750,00 Freehold  
Kensington Sales 020 7938 3666

### William Cobbett House W8

**SOLD**



Sold following competitive bidding.  
Asking price £1,795,000 Leasehold  
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### Sloane Court East SW3

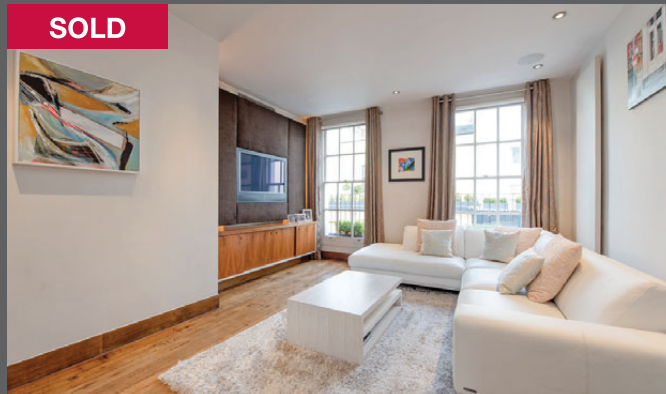
**SOLD**



Sold after receiving 10 sealed bids.  
Asking price £200,000 Freehold  
Chelsea Sales 020 7225 3866

### Draycott Avenue SW3

**SOLD**



Sold in excess of the asking price.  
Asking price £2,875,000 Leasehold  
Chelsea Sales 020 7225 3866

### Margaretta Terrace SW3

**SOLD**



Sold in excess of the asking price.  
Asking price £2,875,000 Leasehold  
Chelsea Sales 020 7225 3866





## Horbury Crescent W11

**SOLD**



58 viewings in five days, 18 bids from 12 buyers.  
Asking price £550,000 Leasehold  
Notting Hill 020 7221 1111

## Princedale Road W11

**SOLD**



11 offers and a record price for this street.  
Asking price £2,750,000 Freehold  
Notting Hill 020 7221 1111

## Queensdale Place W11

**SOLD**



26 viewings in one week, 3 bidders.  
Asking price £2,950,000 Freehold  
Notting Hill 020 7221 1111

## Sloane Terrace Mansions SW1

**SOLD**



Sold off market.  
Asking price £6,950,000 Leasehold  
Knightsbridge Sales 020 7235 9959

## Rutland Gate SW7

**SOLD**



An exceptional Penthouse apartment.  
Asking price £22,500,000 Share of Freehold  
Knightsbridge Sales 020 7235 9959





### Portland Road W11

**SOLD**



Sold off market in excess of asking price.  
Asking price £3,000,000 Freehold  
Notting Hill Sales 020 7221 1111

### Brompton Square SW3

**SOLD**



13 bids, sold 20% above asking price.  
Asking price £4,950,000 Freehold  
Knightsbridge Sales 020 7235 9959

### Clareville Grove SW7

**SOLD**



Buyer introduced through our affiliate Christie's.  
Asking price £2,450,000 Freehold  
West Chelsea Sales 020 7373 1010

### Doneraile Street SW6

**SOLD**



A record price for the street.  
Asking price £2,675,000 Freehold  
Fulham Sales 020 7731 7100

### Astell Street SW3

**SOLD**



Sold after competitive bidding.  
Asking price £8,500,000 Freehold  
Chelsea Sales 020 7225 3866

### Abingdon Villas W8

**SOLD**



An exceptional family house with parking.  
Asking price £5,950,000 Freehold  
Kensington Sales 020 7938 3666



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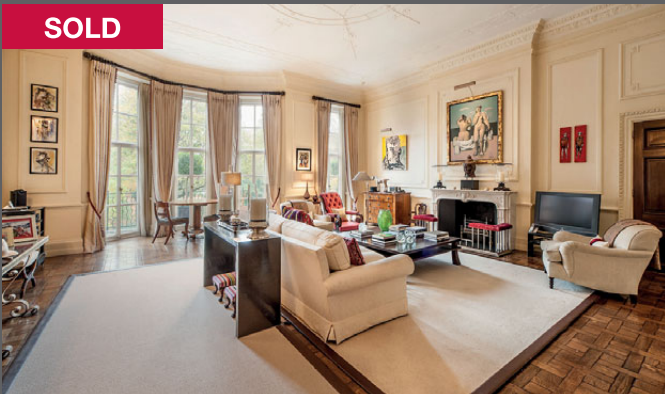
**SOLD**



11 offers and a record price for this street.  
Asking price £2,750,000 Freehold  
Notting Hill Sales 020 7221 1111

Cadogan Square SW1

**SOLD**



One of the best lateral apartments in Knightsbridge.  
Asking price £13,500,000 Leasehold  
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One Hyde Park SW1

**LET**



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Asking price £4,250 per week  
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## St Michael's Mews, SW1

£5,500,000 Share of Freehold



An immaculately presented four bedroom low-built contemporary townhouse with resident caretaker.



**2,700 sq ft (205.8 sq m) EPC Rating C**  
Reception room | Dining room | Kitchen |  
Four bedrooms | Three bathrooms | Patio  
Garden | Roof terrace | Double garage

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## Winchendon Road, SW6

£3,150,000 Freehold



An opportunity to purchase one of the most impressive houses to come to the market on this very popular road in Parsons Green.



**2,777 sq ft (258 sq m) EPC Rating D**  
Drawing room | Kitchen/dining room |  
Family room | Cinema room | Six  
bedrooms | Four bathrooms | Garden

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**Kensington Court, W8**

**£3,500,000 Share of Freehold**



An outstanding three bedroom maisonette, on the top two floors (with direct lift access) of this impressive period building.

**1,525 sq ft (141.7 sq m) EPC Rating D**  
Drawing room | Kitchen/dining room |  
Three bedrooms | Three bathrooms |  
Terrace | Direct lift access

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**Duchess of Bedford Walk, W8**

**£3,150,000 Leasehold**



An outstanding three bedroom flat on the third floor of this prestigious portered mansions block with the benefit of PARKING.

Drawing room | Kitchen | Dining room |  
Three bedrooms | Two bathrooms |  
Storage room | Parking | Lift | Porter

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Cadogan Place, SW1

£11,950,000 Share of Freehold



A dramatic triplex apartment with private original front door to the "key house" of this white stucco fronted terrace overlooking communal gardens.



**4,016 sq ft (373.1 sq m) EPC rating D**  
Own front door | Entrance hall | Reception room | Dining room | Kitchen/ breakfast room | Master bedroom suite | Two further en suite bedrooms | Study/ bedroom four | Shower room | Guest WC/Utility room | Roof terrace | Patio

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# Knowledge is power

Michael Davis from Breteuil discusses what the life of an estate agent entails

## What's the biggest difference between your area today and 10 years ago?

The increase in building work being undertaken in the majority of residential roads in the area. This varies from new buyers taking on extensive projects to create their ideal home, to existing home owners wanting additional space and struggling to find alternative property that suits their needs. These individuals choose to excavate, often several floors below ground level, in order to obtain the additional square footage they require. In contrast, 10 years ago the prospect of digging a basement would have been unappealing for both purchasers and existing home owners alike. Today it appears to be completely the opposite.

## What's your pet hate?

Most agents will agree with me on this, but what irks me the most is when applicants don't contact you to let you know that they're running late for a viewing or don't turn up at all, especially when they've asked for the appointment at a time to suit them. Often when you call them, they claim to be only two minutes away, and when asked exactly where they are, they seem to be on the other side of London, knowing full well that they're not two minutes away.

## What's the most frustrating aspect of your job?

When solicitors, sellers and purchasers don't respond to phone calls or emails from each other, or from the agent, slowing the deal down or causing one party to panic and get cold feet. One solicitor I know still closes for a half day on a Wednesday. So please, make sure you choose a solicitor who is happy to take your calls from the start and is one that you feel comfortable with.

## What's the one piece of advice you would give to buyers/sellers?

Make sure all your paperwork is in order from the start. So many times it's been said that it is, and further down the line it's discovered this isn't always the

**Make sure you choose a solicitor who is happy to take your calls from the start and one that you feel comfortable with**



case, which therefore slows the transaction down. It has even led to sales falling through for buyers.

## What's your favourite part of your job?

It's great to be able to get out and about throughout the day, meeting new people and often getting to see fantastic properties, instead of being chained to your desk all day.

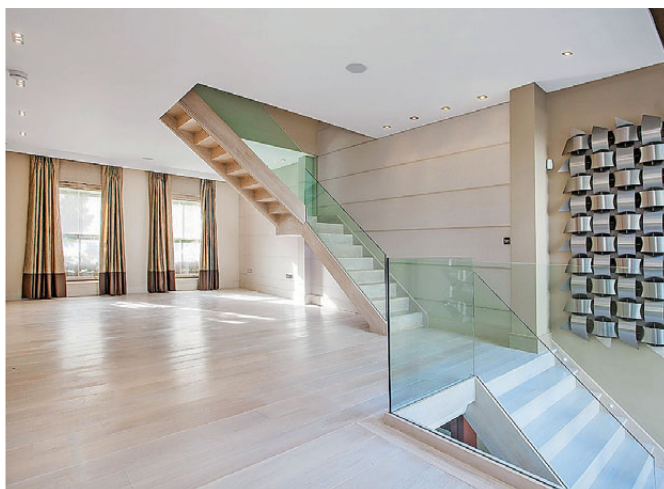
## What's the one thing you would change if you were Mayor of London for the day?

Can I have two things? I'll probably upset a few people here, but as a cyclist I would ban all cars for one day a week and make people use public transport or cycle to work each day, freeing up the roads and making people see London in a different way.

I would also cut down on the amount of bus stops on a route. There are too many stops which are only a few metres apart dotted along various routes. It would speed up the bus service making traffic flow more freely, and make people walk just that little bit further.

## What's your guiltiest pleasure?

I'm a West Ham fan, let's leave it at that.



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# Agency NEWS

The market trends, new appointments and latest statistics from West London's prime postcodes



Thomas O'Mara

## TURNING TIDES

The new year has seen a surge of enquiries, particularly for one and two bed properties around Kensington and Hyde Park, says Thomas O'Mara, Lettings Negotiator at Benham & Reeves Residential Lettings.

'Much of this demand is driven by young professionals starting jobs in the New Year resulting in strong competition amongst tenants,' he says.

'Tenants are knowledgeable

about asking rents and they know what a property is worth but with high demand, rents are increasing a little and tenants are having to move quickly to secure the property they want.'

He adds, 'We're also busy with corporate lets, again perhaps due to executives starting the New Year with a new job or realising they need more space after being at home over Christmas and New Year.'

✦ [brlets.co.uk](http://brlets.co.uk)

*There was an  
average of 9.7  
buyers for  
every  
property  
coming on to  
the market in  
November  
2013*

## North Kensington's missing link

Bective Leslie Marsh is pleased to announce the launch of Phase 2 of Argyll Place by high end property developer Taylor Wimpey Central London. This new and unique boutique housing development, due for completion in June 2014, is set to provide the missing link to W10 – a stylish and modern alternative to the existing housing stock of the area. Situated on Pangbourne Avenue, each property is elegantly finished throughout to create harmonious living spaces, including private balconies, a garden and secure underground parking. The development will consist of 15 exquisite townhouses and five mews houses.

✦ Please call 020 7221 0330 for more information or visit [bective.co.uk](http://bective.co.uk)







Mike Spicer

## KEY APPOINTMENT

Mike Spicer, one of Holland Park and Notting Hill's best known agents, has recently joined the sales department at Anthony Sharp. Mike will be based at the company's offices on Holland Park Avenue and will continue to provide the same standard of exceptional personal service that his clients have come to expect from him over the years.

He comments, 'I have been greatly impressed with Anthony Sharp's commitment to become the leading independent firm in the area and I am very much looking forward to working with Anthony

and his colleague Matthew Legge in further expanding the sales department with a traditional emphasis on client service.'

✦ [anthony-sharp.com](http://anthony-sharp.com)

## GOLD AGAIN

Hamptons International took home Gold for Best Large Agency for the second consecutive year at the Estate Agency of the Year Awards in association with the Sunday Times and The Times, held at The Lancaster London Hotel on Friday 6 December. The event is recognised as one of the most prestigious events in the industry calendar and attracted agents from across the country.

Awarding Hamptons International with Gold for Best Large Agency for the second year in a row, the judges commented, 'Not only has the team at Hamptons maintained their already high standards, but there was also clear evidence that they have actively sought to improve on them throughout 2013.'

Marc Goldberg, Head of Sales at Hamptons International, commented, 'We are thrilled to have been recognised for the second consecutive year as the UK's Best Large Agency.'

✦ [hamptons.co.uk](http://hamptons.co.uk)

## MARKET TRENDS

London's prime housing markets have recorded a double digit annual price growth for the first time in over three years, mainly driven by domestic wealth and wealth already in the market according to international real estate adviser, Savills.

'Across both prime London and the prime regions, it's a story of domestic wealth dictating price growth,' says Lucian Cook, Savills' UK Head of Residential Research. 'The primarily domestic markets of prime south west London beat all other areas, growing 14 per cent year on year. Growth has been very driven by the strength of Fulham.'

✦ [savills.com](http://savills.com)



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EPC Rating=D

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**POND PLACE, SW3**

**Chelsea freehold house**

Reception Room | Fitted Kitchen | 2 Double Bedrooms | Ensuite Shower Room  
Family Bathroom | Roof Terrace | EPC Rating=D

**£1,950,000 Freehold**





## AN EXCEPTIONAL NEWLY BUILT TOWNHOUSE BY MORPHEUS LONDON POND PLACE, SW3

Reception room ♦ dining room ♦ media room ♦ kitchen/breakfast room  
♦ master suite including dressing area and private terrace ♦ 3 further en suite bedrooms  
♦ lift ♦ utility room ♦ terrace ♦ garage ♦ 403 sq m (4,340 sq ft) ♦ EPC=D

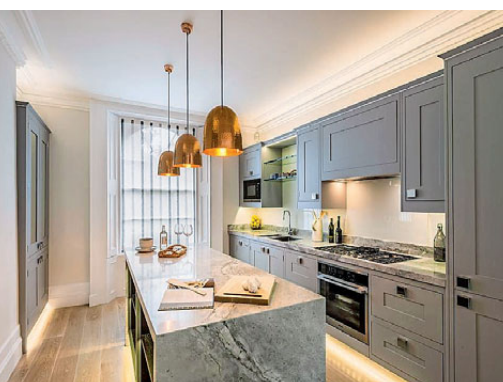
Guide £10.25 million Freehold

**Savills Sloane Street**

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## A BEAUTIFULLY MODERNISED AND EXTENDED CHELSEA HOUSE PAULTONS SQUARE, SW3

Reception room ♦ kitchen/dining room ♦ 3 bedrooms  
(2 en suite) ♦ 1 further bathroom ♦ summer house with  
shower room ♦ study ♦ guest cloakroom ♦ garden  
♦ courtyard ♦ 233 sq m (2,504 sq ft) ♦ EPC=D

Guide £5.95 million Freehold

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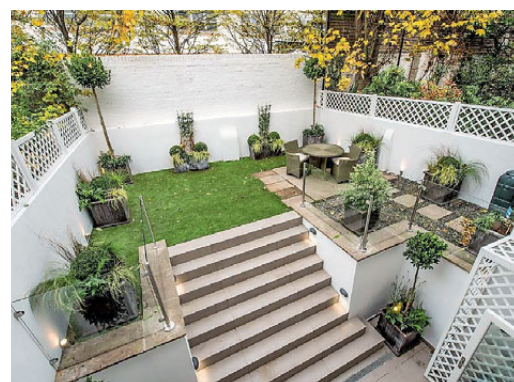
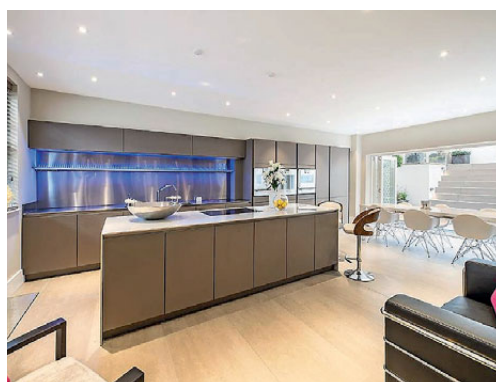
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## A BEAUTIFULLY REFURBISHED FREEHOLD HOUSE GERTRUDE STREET, SW10

Double reception room ♦ kitchen/breakfast room  
♦ master bedroom suite ♦ 3 further bedrooms (1 en suite)  
♦ family bathroom ♦ garden ♦ EPC=C  
♦ 257 sq m (2,777 sq ft)

**Guide £5.75 million Freehold**

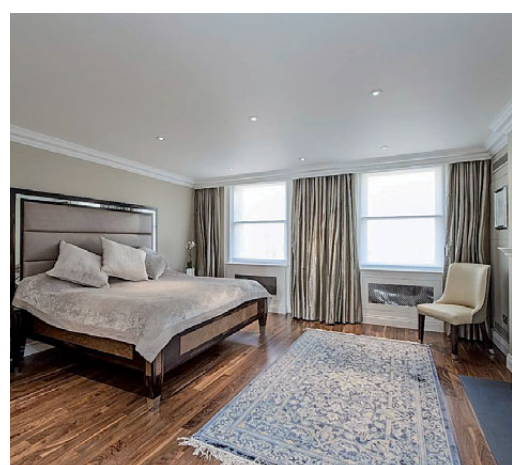
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## GRADE II LISTED BELGRAVIA TOWNHOUSE WILTON PLACE, SW1

First floor drawing room ♦ dining room ♦ media/family room  
♦ kitchen/breakfast room ♦ master bedroom suite ♦ 4 further  
bedrooms (3 en suite) ♦ shower/sauna room ♦ laundry room  
♦ roof terrace ♦ 428 sq m (4,600 sq ft)

**Guide £10.95 million Freehold**

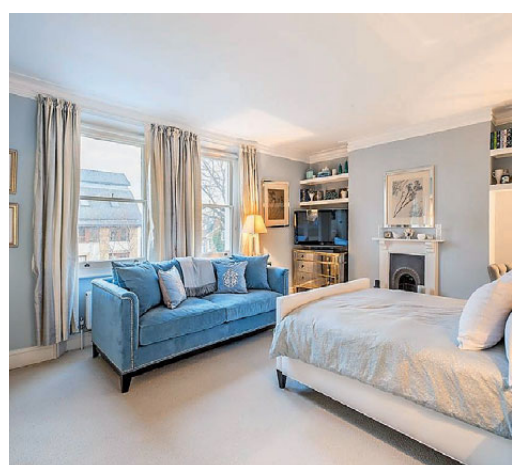
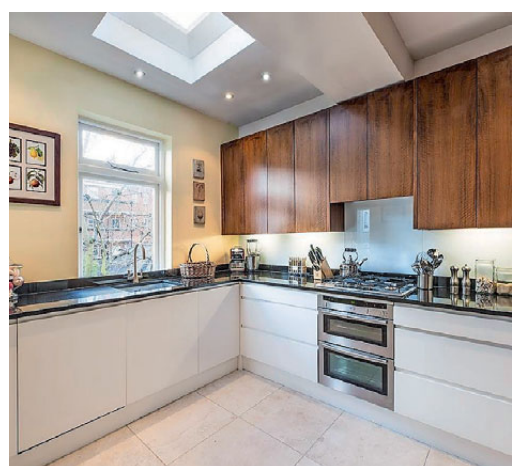
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## EXCELLENTLY PROPORTIONED FLAT WITH AMPLE ENTERTAINING SPACE NETHERTON GROVE, SW10

Open plan reception/dining ♦ kitchen ♦ 2 double bedrooms  
♦ 2 bathrooms ♦ cloakroom/utility room  
♦ 147 sq m (1,536 sq ft) ♦ EPC=E

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**Guide £2.55 million Leasehold, approximately 990 years remaining plus Share of Freehold**





## CHARMING HOUSE WITH AN EXCELLENT ASPECT

LAVERTON PLACE, SW5

Reception room ♦ kitchen ♦ master bedroom suite ♦ 2 further bedrooms ♦ study/4th bedroom  
♦ bathroom ♦ utility room ♦ balcony ♦ access via Hesper Mews  
♦ 118 sq m (1,261 sq ft) ♦ EPC=D

Guide £2.25 million Freehold

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## A THREE BEDROOM APARTMENT WITH PORTER AND LIFT

TITE STREET, SW3

Entrance hall ♦ reception room with dining area  
♦ kitchen ♦ 3 bedrooms (1 en suite) ♦ further bathroom  
♦ guest cloakroom ♦ lift ♦ porter ♦ 92 sq m (988 sq ft)  
♦ EPC=D

Guide £2.195 million Leasehold

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## AN IMMACULATLY REFURBISHED FLAT WITH PATIO

BROMPTON SQUARE, SW3

Reception room ♦ dining room/conservatory ♦ kitchen  
♦ 2 bedrooms ♦ bathroom ♦ garden ♦ 77 sq m (832 sq ft)  
♦ EPC=E

Guide £1.475 million Leasehold

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## A NEWLY REFURBISHED HOUSE WITH SURROUND SOUND

MARKHAM STREET, SW3

4 bedrooms (1 en suite) ♦ family bathroom  
♦ reception room ♦ open plan kitchen/dining room  
♦ patio ♦ roof terrace ♦ 145 sq m (1,561 sq ft)  
♦ Council Tax=H ♦ EPC=D

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# Guy Bradshaw, Savills, Sloane Street



The Belgravia lettings markets shows great optimism for the coming year

**E**aton Place is nestled in the prestigious conservation area of Belgravia amongst some of the grandest architecture in London. White stucco residences, sprawling embassies, landscaped garden squares and luxurious new developments capture the very best of the capital and provide some of our finest lettings properties. Conveniently located close to Sloane Square, Knightsbridge and Victoria's transport links, Eaton Place is an ideal location for those looking for an easy commute into the City and beyond. For families, there are a strong selection of independent schools in the area including Francis Holland School for girls and Sussex House School for boys.

Despite a slight dip in average values of 0.1% in the Belgravia lettings market between 2012 and 2013, we're optimistic for the coming year with an increase of 2.5% forecast. Looking further ahead, the outlook is even better with growth of 20.4% expected by 2017. The top reason for tenants moving to the area is typically relocation, with more than half of our tenants across all price bands coming from overseas. International tenants are particularly active in the top end of the lettings market of £2,000+ where they make up 74% of the market.

♣ Savills Sloane Street, 020 7730 0822; savills.co.uk

This newly refurbished three bedroom apartment is situated on Eaton Place in the heart of Belgravia. Spread over the ground and lower ground floors, the apartment offers style and modern living with three bedrooms, three bathrooms, a reception room and dining room. £2,495 per week



A beautifully presented first floor lateral apartment on Eaton Place, sympathetically refurbished and offering ample entertaining space and a balcony. It comes with three bedrooms, two reception rooms, three bath/shower rooms, a lift and balcony. £2,250 per week

Eaton Place is an ideal location for those looking for an easy commute into the City and beyond. For families, there are a strong selection of independent schools in the area







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Department Head, Local Estate Agents





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Well-located and stylish, these two-bedroom homes to buy or rent are ideal for young professionals, small families or investors



## DETACHED HOUSE

Bull's Gardens, Donne Place, SW3 £1,995,000

With flexible accommodation spread over three floors, which includes two living rooms, this well-presented house offers great entertainment space, a vaulted master bedroom, and a patio and terrace.

✦ Cluttons, 020 7584 1771

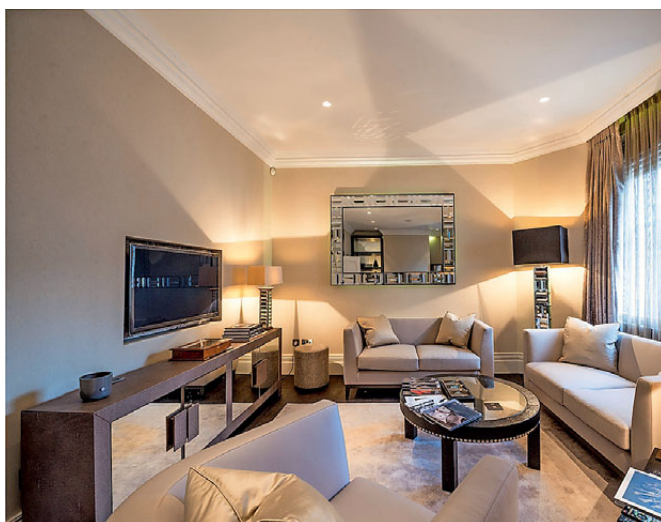


## CAPITAL VIEWS

Vauxhall Bridge Road, SW1 £1,100,000

In a period building divided into four apartments, this fourth-floor penthouse benefits from a lift, two bathrooms and wonderful views across Westminster towards the Houses of Parliament. There is also a communal roof terrace.

✦ Jackson-Stops, 020 7828 4050



## PORTERED BLOCK

Berkeley Street, W1J £2,395,000

Situated in a portered block with a lift in the heart of Mayfair, this fifth-floor flat with a spacious reception room is in excellent condition and is offered on a long lease.

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## GARDEN FLAT

Brompton Square, SW3 £1,650,000

This newly refurbished flat is situated on a popular Knightsbridge garden square, and offers accommodation over two floors plus the rare benefit of a large conservatory leading out onto a private patio garden.

✦ Savills, 020 7730 0822





## RIVERSIDE DEVELOPMENT

Marina Point, Imperial Wharf, SW6 £950,000

On the south-west side of this sought-after development, this two-bed, two-bathroom apartment benefits from a modern kitchen, a reception room with floor-to-ceiling windows and a south-facing balcony.

✦ Chesterton Humberts, 020 7731 4448





Morton Mews, Earls Court SW5

Guide price: £3,100,000 Freehold

✦ Presented by Knight Frank South Kensington

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# Laurence Lai Knight Frank South Kensington, Sales



South Kensington remains desirable but Earls Court is the new growth area for prime central London



demand from buyers wishing to purchase there. Many of the transactions that we were involved in had multiple interest and, as a result, in some instances we achieved record prices for the street or building.

A three bedroom apartment with garden views on the third floor of the prestigious mansion block, Coleherne Court. There is a master bedroom with en suite bathroom, reception room, kitchen, dining room, family bathroom, lift, communal gardens and 24hr porterage. £3,100,000

✦ Knight Frank South Kensington, Sales;  
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Well what a year 2013 turned out to be. South Kensington remained as one of London's most desirable places to live and although historically popular with French and Italians, we saw an increase in other nationalities expressing an interest to buy property.

At different times throughout last year, we received enquiries from prospective purchasers from around the world due to our unrivalled global presence; in the last 12 months alone, we saw potential buyers from 141 different countries viewing properties for sale through Knight Frank South Kensington.

Another area that saw excellent growth and wide appeal last year was Earls Court, SW5. For many years considered to be the 'lesser cousin' to South Kensington (and I can say this as a resident of Earls Court), we experienced a huge

# Isobel Holt Knight Frank South Kensington, Lettings



Stock levels in the area are high and so is competition from tenants, so perfect presentation as always is vital



The market is regaining momentum, with the return of the relocation agents seeking properties under £1,000 per week. There also is a demand for prime market properties, earlier than usual.

A newly refurbished two double bedroom apartment with wood floors in this sought after South Kensington apartment block. The apartment has the luxury of 24 hour porterage, one underground secure parking space and access to communal gardens. £875 per week

✦ Knight Frank South Kensington, Lettings;  
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The lettings market in South Kensington and Earls Court was largely positive in 2013. There has been a slight decline in pricing but this is mainly due to the fact that sales have been so strong. There is 35% more stock on the market in comparison to this time last year, which means supply is high and competition is fierce. Those properties that are presented immaculately and priced correctly are experiencing less void periods. Furthermore, because of the high stocks levels, it has become more of a tenant favoured market with greater demands and 'wish-lists'. Applicants, mainly still from Europe and America, are looking for good corporate accommodation and furnished properties so that they can move straight in.





## King's Road, Chelsea SW3

Luxury boutique development with secure parking

Chelsea Galleries is a brand new luxury development of seven apartments with concierge and secure underground parking located in the heart of Chelsea. Situated on the prestigious King's Road, Chelsea Galleries is a unique residential offering benefitting from high-end finishes throughout. 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 1-2 reception rooms, concierge, secure parking. Approximately 2,010 sq ft - 2,818 sq ft

Leasehold: approximately 999 years

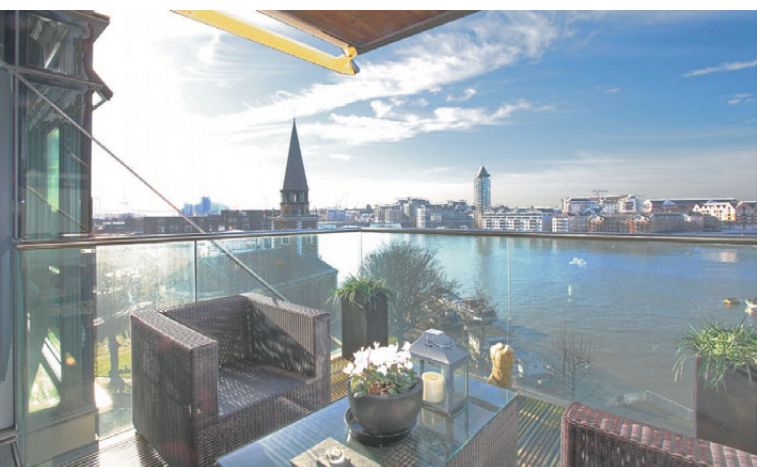
Guide price: £4,750,000 - £6,450,000



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## Montevetro Building, Battersea SW11

Two bedroom flat with stunning Thames River views

A stylish, contemporary, spacious and bright flat in this extremely sought-after Richard Rogers building. With excellent river views, and bathed in sunlight in all the principle rooms. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, reception room, kitchen, balcony, 2 parking spaces, concierge, leisure facilities. EPC rating C. Approximately 140 sq m (1,509 sq ft)

Leasehold: approximately 982 years

Guide price: £1,900,000

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## Ebury Street, Belgravia SW1

Well positioned freehold family house with garden

A very well presented and bright townhouse with a fantastic garden. Master bedroom with en suite bathroom, 2 further bedrooms, further bathroom, drawing room, dining room, kitchen, conservatory, study, utility room, guest cloakroom, balcony, garden, separate self-contained flat. Grade II listed. Approximately 248 sq m (2,672 sq ft)

Freehold

Guide price: £5,500,000

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## Chiddingstone Street, Fulham SW6

### A wonderful family house

An end of terrace Lion house located in one of the most prestigious streets of the Peterborough Estate. Master bedroom with en suite bathroom, 4 further bedrooms, family bathroom, shower room, double reception room, kitchen, dining room, family room, guest WC, balcony, garden. EPC rating E. Approximately 231.3 sq m (2,490 sq ft)

Freehold

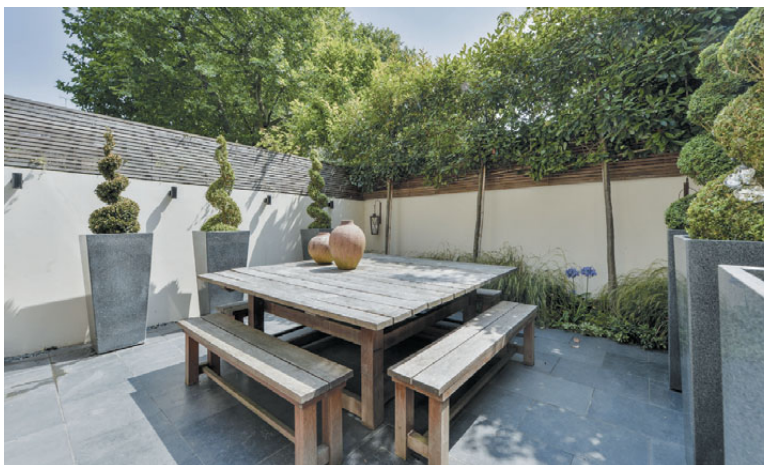
Guide price: £2,895,000

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## Phene Street, Chelsea SW3

An immaculate four bedroom freehold house

The property enjoys open green views to the rear, a large private garden and is finished to a very high specification with the benefit of air conditioning.

4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2 reception rooms, guest cloakroom, garden.

EPC Rating E. Approximately 222 sq m (2,389 sq ft)

Freehold

Guide price £5,250,000

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## Walton Street, Knightsbridge SW3

### Four bedroom freehold house in prime location

A well-presented freehold house in this sought after location in Knightsbridge. Master bedroom suite, 3 further bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 reception rooms, dining room, family room, study, kitchen, private rear garden. EPC rating D. Approximately 238.38 sq m (2,566 sq ft)

Freehold

Guide price: £5.950,000

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Director, Local Estate Agents





# Fay Copeland, Wedlake Bell



What happens to the digital inheritance we often forget to mention in our will?

Many service providers' standard terms and conditions stipulate that data will be automatically terminated on death. So, valuable emails or an online music collection could be lost, and loved ones will be deprived of the ability to inherit something that could be meaningful and comforting at a sad time. As online data is not a physical asset, it is unlikely that it can be gifted in a will in the same way as, say, a CD collection.

However, Google has recently started allowing users to stipulate in their account settings certain 'trusted persons' who are to be allowed access to the account after their death, or alternatively rule that the account should be deleted. Google is the first of the large internet service providers to offer such a facility. Facebook, by contrast, stands by a policy of customer confidentiality and allows executors to close a Facebook account or turn it into a memorial page but not to access it.

Given this uncertainty and to avoid what can become an upsetting issue for loved ones, the best way of leaving a digital inheritance is to create a list of your online assets, and the relevant usernames and passwords, together with the



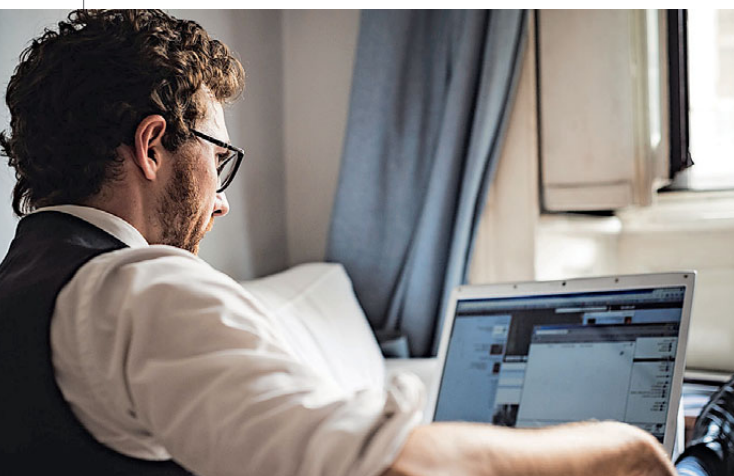
names of those you wish to have access after your death. This applies to email accounts, social networking accounts and devices such as mobile phones, tablets and MP3 players, web photo albums and gaming.

Such information should not be listed in the will itself, as this becomes a public document after death, but in a separate letter of wishes, drawn up to accompany the will, or in a separate spread sheet annexed to the will. The information can then be passed by the executors to the selected beneficiaries as soon after death as possible. In addition, for especially valuable online data, such as emails or photos, it would be wise to create hardcopies or save them to a disk or memory stick. Hardcopies can pass under a will as physical property. It would, of course, be sensible for those with Google-run accounts to update their settings with the names of their 'trusted persons', in the event of a problem with those persons accessing the accounts through information left in a letter of wishes or spread sheet.

The assumption is usually, and fairly, made that the residuary estate in a will includes all digital data owned by the individual and that, by default, the named beneficiaries will be able to access digital assets along with all the deceased's physical property. However, at present most internet service providers see the world differently. And it is not an area where UK courts have yet ruled.

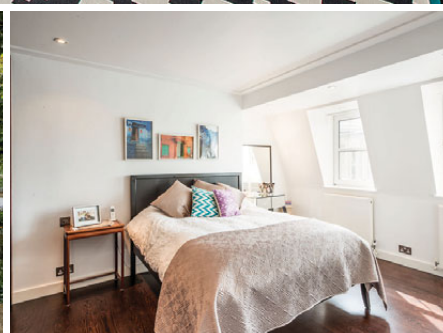
So, the safest course is to leave details and specific instructions alongside the will, at least until the other major service providers follow Google's example. When we log out for the last time, we may want to make sure someone can log in later.

✦ Fay Copeland, Partner and Head of Private Client team at Wedlake Bell LLP; 020 7395 3000; [wedlakebell.com](http://wedlakebell.com)



Create a list of your online assets, and the relevant usernames and passwords, together with the names of those you wish to have access after your death





## Elystan Street London SW3

reception room | 3 bedrooms | 3 bathrooms | kitchen | cloakroom | utility room  
roof terrace | communal gardens | 24hr concierge | lift | EPC rating D

A stunning, immaculately refurbished, penthouse apartment within a portered building with swimming pool, gym and communal gardens

Guide price **£2,999,999 share of freehold**





## Whitehall Court London SW1

drawing room | 2 bedrooms | 2 bathrooms | kitchen | 2 balconies | 24hr concierge  
lift access | EPC rating D

A spacious and very bright third floor apartment with high ceilings in this prestigious Victorian mansion block located within Westminster

Guide price **£1,200,000 leasehold**





## Savile Row London W1S

reception room with open-plan kitchen | 2 bedrooms | bathroom | guest cloakroom  
terrace | underground parking | porter | lift | EPC rating D

A stunning recently refurbished west facing penthouse apartment with fantastic views over London and benefits from being well situated for Piccadilly Circus, Soho and Regents Street

Unfurnished **£1,450 per week**



## Cavalry Square London SW3

reception room | 2 bedrooms | 2 bathrooms | kitchen | 24hr security | parking  
EPC rating B

A fabulous apartment in a very desirable development situated within a stones throw from the shops and designer boutiques of Sloane Street; Kings Road and Duke of York Square

Unfurnished **£795 per week**





## Pavilion Road London SW1X

double reception room | 3 bedrooms | 2 bathrooms | kitchen/breakfast room  
study | patio garden | EPC rating C

A recently refurbished mews house in the heart of Knightsbridge ideally located for the local transport links, boutiques and restaurants

Unfurnished **£1,275 per week**



## Kings Road London SW3

reception room | 2 bedrooms | 2 bathrooms | kitchen  
EPC rating E

A spacious and contemporary apartment in the heart of Chelsea ideally located near the excellent shops and amenities of the Kings Road

Unfurnished **£575 per week**



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Both Victoria Station and St James's Park Underground Station are within half a mile.

- Entrance Hall • Drawing Room • Cloakroom • Open-Plan Kitchen, Dining and Family Room • Utility
- WC • Study • 3 Bedrooms • Shower Room • Dressing Room • Bathroom with Separate WC • Store
- EPC = C • Gross Internal Area: 1,845 sq ft / 171 sq m

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## **Lexham Mews, W8** £2,495,000 Freehold

A fabulous three storey, non-basement house on a quiet cobbled mews in Stratford Village. The property, at 1,698 sq ft (approx.), boasts flexible accommodation with an architecturally designed atrium, generous entertaining and living space and a luxurious master suite, including walk in wardrobe and study/snug area. Located close to the local shops on Stratford Road, the house is moments from the extensive amenities and transport links on Kensington High Street and Earls Court Road. EPC=D. Two reception rooms, dining room, study area/bedroom three, kitchen, two bedrooms, dressing room and two bathrooms. **Sole Agents**

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## **Lexham Mews, W8** £1,825 per week Fees Apply

A stunning mews house that has been refurbished to a very high standard. Situated in this charming village location close to Kensington High Street, the property offers impressive entertaining space and high specification contemporary fittings. The house has the added benefit of a private garage, EPC=D. Reception room, kitchen, three bedrooms, two bathrooms, utility room and garage. Unfurnished.

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## **Stratford Road, W8** £525 per week Fees Apply

Charming split-level flat on the ground and lower ground floor of this period conversion in Stratford Village. Larger than average, the flat offers an open-plan reception/kitchen with stairs down to a huge bedroom with access onto the private south-facing patio. EPC=E. Reception room, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom and patio. Furnished.

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## **Wynnstay Gardens, W8** £1,795 per week Fees Apply

Exceptionally spacious lateral apartment in this secure building close to Kensington High Street. On the second floor (with lift) features a tiled entrance hall leading to huge double-length reception room with stunning bay window. Perfect for a family. EPC=E. Two reception rooms, kitchen, four bedrooms and three bathrooms. Unfurnished.

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# Recipe of the month



I'm Czech and this is my great grandmother's recipe, passed down through the generations. It should be served with roast pork or goose and sauerkraut. A traditional way to eat the leftover dumplings the next day is to chop them up, pan fry in a little butter, add eggs and cook as if you are making scrambled eggs. Delicious!

## Ingredients

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ tsp. sugar
- 3 eggs, beaten
- 1½ cups milk, or as needed
- 4 cups dry white bread cubes
- 4 bacon rashers finely sliced
- 1 (16 ounce) jar sauerkraut – rinsed and drained
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 teaspoon caraway seeds
- 2 tsp. cold water
- 1 tsp. cornflour

Serves 8

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# Knedlíky – (Czech Dumplings)



## How to prepare

1. In a large bowl, stir together the flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt and sugar. Make a well in the centre, pour in the eggs and 1 cup of milk. Stir to blend and add enough milk to make a moist dough. Use a wooden spoon to beat the dough, at least 200 strokes, rolling it over in the bowl until smooth and an occasional bubble appears on the surface.
2. Add the cubes of dry white bread and stir into the dough until they disappear.
3. Bring a large pot of water to the boil. Place the dough onto a cheesecloth or white cotton cloth and form into a loaf shape. Wrap the cloth around the loaf and tie the ends with string.
4. Place the loaf into the boiling water and cook for 45 mins, turning the loaf over about half way through. Remove from water, unwrap and cover with a tea towel. Let it stand for 10 mins.
5. Fry the bacon in a small skillet until evenly browned then set aside.
6. Place the sauerkraut into a saucepan and add enough water to cover the surface. Simmer then add the bacon and season with salt, pepper and caraway seeds. Stir together the corn starch and water, mix into the sauerkraut and simmer for a few minutes before removing from the heat.
7. Slice the dumpling loaf. Drizzle dumpling slices with some of the roast drippings from the pan. Serve with sauerkraut.



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## THE GATEWAYS, SPRIMONT PLACE, SW3

A fabulous opportunity to acquire an unmodernised, double fronted, low built house in a quiet and private Chelsea Green enclave between the excellent shopping and restaurant facilities of The Kings Road and Fulham Road and a short walk from Sloane Square and Knightsbridge.

- \* 2 Reception Rooms
- \* Kitchen
- \* 3 Double Bedrooms
- \* Bathroom
- \* 2 Cloakrooms

Freehold

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## Queens Gate, SW7

£2,350 p/w

A spacious three double bedroom, three bathroom flat arranged over two floors of a Victorian conversion



- Three double bedrooms
- Three bathrooms
- Kitchen with dining area
- Spacious living room
- Close to Gloucester Road
- Energy rating d

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### Kensington Mansions, SW5

A large two bedroom apartment in a portered Victorian mansion building in Earls Court

£1,250,000



- Two bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Portered mansion building
- Communal gardens
- Earls Court underground
- Energy rating d

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### Earls Court Road, SW5

A spectacular first floor apartment with large reception room and a private roof terrace

£1,200,000



- Two bedrooms
- Spacious reception
- Large private roof terrace
- Beautifully presented
- Earls Court underground
- Energy rating d

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## Egerton Gardens, SW3

A two bedroom apartment in a wonderful red brick terraced house in Knightsbridge



£3,250,000

- Two bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Second floor
- Close to Harrods
- South Kensington underground
- Energy rating d

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## Kings Road, SW3

An outstanding four bedroom maisonette arranged on three floors on Kings Road



£2,495,000

- Four bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Large reception areas
- Private entrance
- Sloane Square underground
- Energy rating e

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## Harbour Reach, SW6

A wonderfully bright, sixth floor two bedroom apartment with a balcony in Imperial Wharf



£749,950

- Two bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Separate kitchen
- Desirable location
- Imperial Wharf overground
- Energy rating c

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## Fulham Palace Road, SW6

A spacious two bedroom duplex apartment in good decorative order in Fulham



£595,000

- Two bedrooms
- Large reception area
- Good decorative order
- Period conversion
- Barons Court underground
- Energy rating d

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Tregunter Road, SW10

£825 p/w

A smart and spacious two bedroom furnished flat on the first floor of a Victorian house



- Two double bedrooms
- Large living room
- Modern kitchen with dining area
- Two bathrooms
- Energy rating d
- Earls Court underground

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Redcliffe Square, SW10

£575 p/w

A two bedroom furnished flat arranged over the second floor of a Victorian conversion



- Two bedroom flat
- Second floor, with lift
- Separate kitchen
- Private balcony and roof terrace
- Energy rating c
- Earls Court underground

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### Piper Building, SW6

Spacious five bedroom apartment with two private balconies in Parsons Green



£2,200 p/w

- Five double bedrooms
- Four bathrooms
- Two secure parking spaces
- Two private balconies with river views
- Parsons Green underground
- Energy rating b

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### Mohogony House, SW6

Three bedroom, three bathroom riverside apartment in Imperial Wharf, Fulham



£875 p/w

- Three double bedrooms
- Three bathrooms
- Two balconies
- Underground parking
- Imperial Wharf overground
- Energy rating c

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### Britannia Road, SW6

Three bedroom flat with a private garden in the Moore Park Estate, Fulham Broadway



£775 p/w

- Three double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Open plan kitchen
- Private garden
- Fulham Broadway underground
- Energy rating c

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### Moore Park Road, SW6

Two bedroom maisonette with a private roof terrace in the heart of the Moore Park Estate



£650 p/w

- Two double bedrooms
- Open plan kitchen
- Private entrance
- Private roof terrace
- Fulham Broadway underground
- Energy rating d

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# A SPECIAL Enclave

At the heart of the Royal Borough, Kensington offers some of the capital's most beautiful homes along with top-class amenities

At the centre of the most affluent borough in the country, Kensington is home to a wide choice of beautiful and desirable homes. It is also well located, with Kensington High Street and Kensington Church Street offering a plethora of shops and restaurants, Hyde Park and Holland Park providing that all-important green space, and the museums of South Kensington on the doorstep. The amenities of Notting Hill and Knightsbridge are close by too. No wonder then that the area attracts such a wide mix of domestic and international buyers and tenants.

'Kensington is beautifully positioned within the heart of the Royal Borough, discreetly boasting William and Kate as immediate neighbours, along with almost every shopping, restaurant, transport and local amenity that one might need,' comments Kim Turner of Bective Leslie Marsh.

'The exclusive patch of prime W8 streets between Kensington High Street and Notting Hill Gate are the most sought after. Within this special enclave lie some of the area's most beautiful and unique homes and apartments.'

While there's a wealth of period property on offer, contemporary

**TYPICAL PRICES:** prices vary quite considerably but generally start at around £340,000 for a studio flat rising to £30m for large and well-appointed homes

**TYPICAL RENTS:** from studio flats at £170pw to substantial homes at over £15,000pw

**WHO BUYS/RENTS HERE:** Popular with both international and domestic buyers, tenants and investors, attracted by a central location, top-class amenities and good transport links

buildings have recently been added to the mix, including 375 Kensington High Street and De Vere Gardens.

Stephen Holmes of Savills points out that local schools are 'a key driver for families moving to Kensington' with properties close to the most prestigious schools being particularly popular.

'The most striking change in the Kensington property market in recent times has to be the rise in popularity of mansion block apartments,' comments Chloe Lee of Mountgrange Heritage. There are several reasons for this, she

says. Foreign buyers like the security they offer - 'owners can 'lock up and leave' whenever they like' - while the presence of a porter or concierge means someone is on hand to make sure there are no problems with the property. 'Another reason is quality,' says Chloe, as the buildings are well managed, with a central location - 'most mansion blocks can be found close to the High Street and transport links'.

She also points to 'the lateral living these apartments offer', valued by families and older residents who don't



## PROPERTY TO BUY AND RENT IN KENSINGTON



This four-bedroom Edwardian house on Holland Street offers accommodation arranged over five floors and a beautifully maintained communal garden: £6,350,000 (Bective Leslie Marsh, 020 7795 4288)



Located on an upper floor of a portered building with lift on Addison Road, this two-bedroom, two-bathroom apartment has been recently refurbished: £1,550,000 (Antony Sharp, 0207 243 8398)





want stairs or are downsizing from larger homes.

The local sales market remains strong, with demand continuing to outstrip supply, a situation which is not expected to change in 2014.

'The market stood firm during the recession, which is one of the main reasons why it's now achieving exceptionally strong interest from all sectors of buyers, resulting in record prices,' says Kim Turner.

'Overseas buyers continue to make up over 90% of all transactions, with a large

## Exceptionally strong interest from all sectors of buyers is resulting in record prices

proportion being investors looking to buy to let,' says Matthew Jackson of Chesterton Humberts.

For lettings though, higher stock levels have meant landlords have had to be competitive. 'Price and presentation

remain the key driving factors within the market place,' says Jemilla Divito of Strutt & Parker.

'Tenants are able to demand value for money, therefore rents have generally stayed level,' says Matthew Jackson. 'On a positive note Kensington has seen an above average conversion rate of 61.8% on tenancies renewing in the last six months, with an average increase of 2.62%. Tenant demand is again dominated by foreign corporate tenants which account for approximately 70% of all lettings.'



This first-floor flat in Campden House offers two double bedrooms, two bathrooms, reception room and open-plan kitchen, plus use of the communal gardens: £1,695pw (Strutt & Parker, 020 7938 3866)



Within a portered red brick mansion building on Oakwood Court, this four-bedroom apartment features underfloor heating to all bathrooms and kitchen plus audio wiring: £4,300,000 (Savills, 020 7535 3300)





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#### Sloane Court East SW3 £1,550 per week Unfurnished

A spacious lateral two bedroom two bathroom property with lift offering a double reception and two fantastically sized double bedrooms with large amounts of storage. Sloane Court East is located only moments away from Sloane Square and the Kings Road in Chelsea. **EPC:D**



#### Gatloff Road SW1W £950 per week Unfurnished

A modern three bedroom, three bathroom second floor apartment in a prestigious riverside development. The property has two fantastic balconies, portorage and a lift and further benefits from parking in the development. **EPC:C**

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## Kensington Court Mansions £1975 per week, unfurnished

A spacious and bright four bedroom lateral apartment on the third floor (with lift) of this beautiful mansion block, located moments from Kensington High Street. The property benefits from two large reception rooms, both with wood floors and one with a pretty Juliette balcony. **EPC:C**



## Wycombe Square, W8 £775 per week, furnished

An immaculate one bedroom flat in this sought after portered development, moments from Notting Hill. Situated on the ground floor, this wonderfully bright flat features wooden floors, two bathrooms, a separate kitchen and large reception. **EPC:D**





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#### Thames Point, SW6 £1,750,000 Leasehold

A terrific 4th floor apartment in this award winning modern development, with far reaching river views, a lovely balcony and superb communal gardens. **EPC:C**



#### Octavia House, SW6 £1,295,000 Leasehold

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## Gledhow Gardens SW5 £1,150 per week Furnished

A fantastic newly redecorated one bedroom apartment on the first floor of this period building with its own private roof terrace. The apartment has great entertaining space with a large reception room and a separate dining room. **EPC:D**



## Hortensia Road SW10 £800 per week Furnished

A two bedroom, two bathroom apartment on the first floor of this modern development in SW10. The property has a fantastic open plan kitchen and reception room with wood floor, underfloor heating as well as comfort cooling. **EPC:B**





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**St George Wharf, SW8 £1,560 per week Unfurnished**

Exceptional three bedroom apartment with river views throughout situated in The Tower; a brand new development in Vauxhall with extensive on-site facilities for residents. **EPC:B**



**Strutton Ground, SW1P £850 per week Furnished**

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£7,100,000

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£2,350,000 Freehold

This beautiful Georgian house is enviably located in heart of Marylebone. Recently refurbished to a high standard and boasting 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, one en-suite, large reception area, modern fitted kitchen, air-conditioning and a wonderful roof terrace with stunning roof top views. EPC Rating C.



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£1,575,000 141 year Lease

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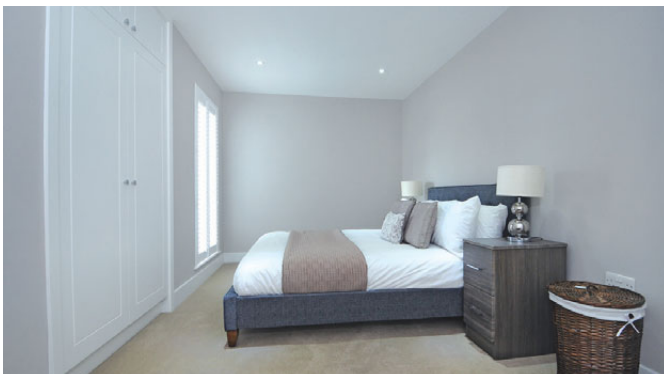
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## **Kingston House South** Ennismore Gardens SW7

1,313 sq ft/121.98 sq m

**A very light and bright first floor apartment situated in prime residential portered block moments away from Hyde Park and all the amenities of Knightsbridge.**

2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 reception rooms, kitchen,  
balcony, parking space, porter, EPC C

**Share of Freehold Price £2,995,000**

**Sole Agent**



## **Kingston House East** Princes Gate SW7

764 sq ft/70.98 sq m

**An excellent 3rd floor apartment in this prestigious 'Parkside' block, within an easy walk of all the world class amenities of Knightsbridge.**

2 bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, reception room, kitchen, entrance hall,  
24 hour portorage, lift, heating & hot water, access to communal gardens, parking, EPC C

**Share of Freehold Guide Price £1,950,000**

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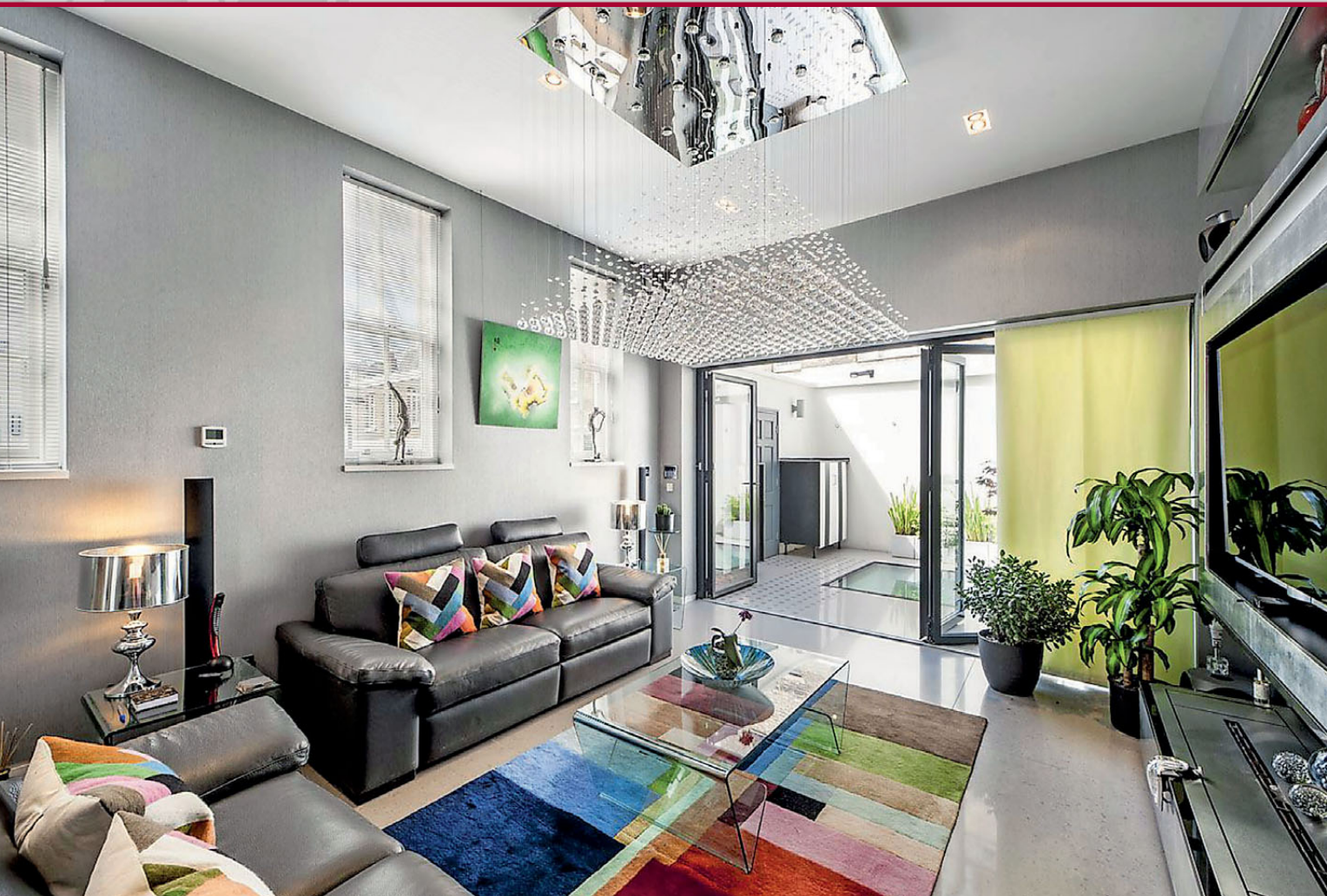
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## Montpelier Place Knightsbridge SW7

1,886 sq ft/175.21 sq m

A sensational high spec end of terrace town house, superbly renovated and interior designed in the best modern contemporary style, whilst retaining its existing period façade, in the heart of 'Knightsbridge Village' a short walk from Harrods and Hyde Park.

3 double bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, reception room with sliding patio doors to courtyard garden, study, kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, guest cloaks, EPC C

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153.1 sq m/1,648 sq ft

**A charming Freehold Mews house built on 3 floors, with benefit of a Garage, small Patio, Balcony and Roof Terrace - discreetly tucked away in this quiet cobbled mews, off Cheval Place, and a short walk from Harrods.**

3 bedrooms : 3 bathrooms : 1st floor reception room : dining hall : kitchen : utility room : guest cloakroom :  
integral garage : balcony : small patio : roof terrace : epc D

**Freehold Guide Price: £3,750,000**

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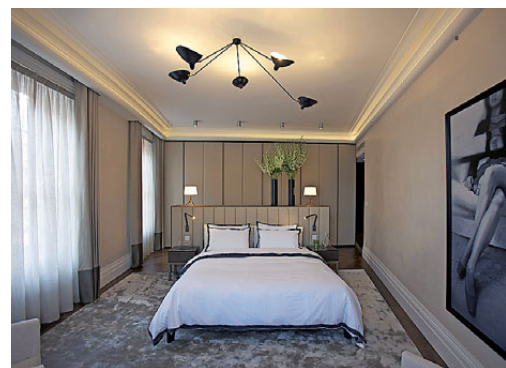
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## **Albert Hall Mansions** Kensington Gore SW7

3,389 sq ft/314.85 sq m

**A spectacular interior designed apartment, with state of the art technology, in this imposing and prestigious mansion block, adjacent to the Royal Albert Hall & Kensington Gardens.**

Master bedroom suite, 2 further bedroom suites, guest suite/media room, 2 interconnecting reception rooms, Bulthaup kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, guest cloakroom, imposing entrance hall, 24 hour porterage, lift, Control 4 integrated system, air conditioning, Lutron lighting, EPC D

**Share of Freehold Price on Application**

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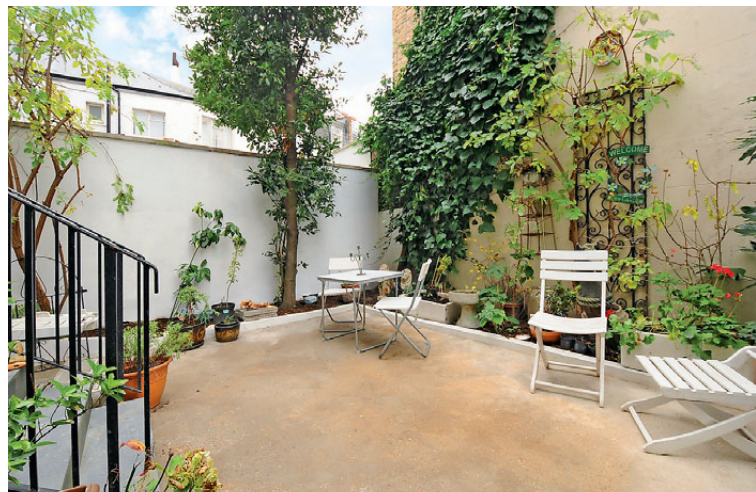
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# Marylands Road

Anscombe  
& Ringland

W 9



## key FEATURES

VICTORIAN FAMILY HOUSE WITH SELF-  
CONTAINED FLAT  
3083 SQFT/286.4 SQM  
HIGH CEILINGS & LARGE WINDOWS  
MAIN HOUSE: 6 BEDROOMS/5 BATHROOMS  
SELF-CONTAINED FLAT: 2 BEDROOMS/  
BATHROOM  
COURTYARD STYLE GARDEN  
TWO TERRACES  
CURRENT EPC RATING: E

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# Westbourne Terrace

Anscombe  
& Ringland

W 2



## key FEATURES

FINE PERIOD CONVERSION

1085 SQFT/100.7 SQM

FIRST FLOOR

RECEPTION ROOM/KITCHEN

TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS

EN-SUITE SHOWER ROOM

BATHROOM

BALCONY

PERMITTED PARKING AVAILABLE

CURRENT EPC RATING: D



£1,650,000

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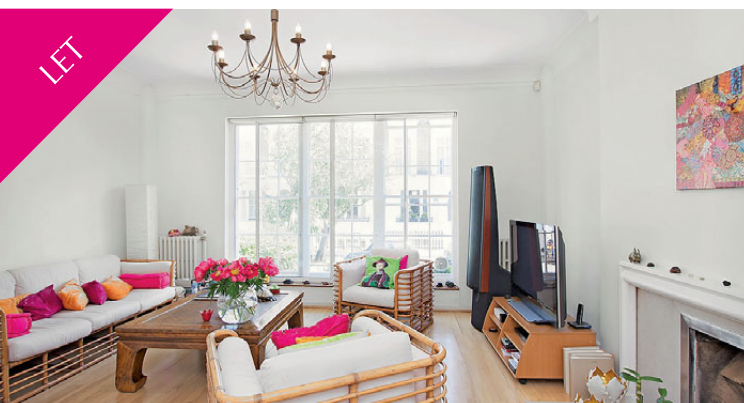
**£2,500**  
per week



### DRAYTON GARDENS, SW10

A stunning four bedroom lateral apartment situated on the raised ground floor of this attractive mansion building, just off the Fulham Road. EPC Rating: D.

**£1,650**  
per week



### REDCLIFFE ROAD, SW10

A charming five bedroom house situated on a desirable roads just of the Fulham Road. Benefiting from a large reception room on the first floor and a lovely rear garden. EPC Rating E.

**£1,600**  
per week



### ELM PARK GARDENS, SW10

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+ fees



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**£1,600**  
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+ fees



## REDCLIFFE GARDENS, SW10

A superb and extremely spacious apartment with high ceilings, lots of natural light particularly in the west facing reception room. EPC Rating: Contact our office about our fees.

**£1,450**  
per week  
+ fees



## ASHBURNHAM ROAD, SW10

A fabulous three bedroom apartment situated on the 4th floor (lift) of a red-brick mansion building close to the Kings Road. EPC Rating: D. Contact office about our fees.

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## REDCLIFFE SQUARE, SW10

A fabulous two bedroom property situated on the lower ground of a period conversion which is presented to a high standard. EPC Rating: D. Contact office about our fees.

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## IMPERIAL WHARF, SW6

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Est. 1950



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**FREEHOLD**

**THREE BEDROOMS**

**GROSS INTERNAL AREA: 2,050 SQ FT / 190 SQ M**

**£4,250,000 stc**

**An immaculate presented three bedroom mews house which has been completely rebuilt.**

The house has been meticulously finished throughout and is situated in this highly sought-after location in the heart of Belgravia. The property offers versatile accommodation with three floors of generous entertaining space, comprising a ground floor reception room, a stunning kitchen/dining room and a large media room/playroom, with oak wood

flooring throughout. The first floor master bedroom features a double height vaulted ceiling, a dressing area with built in storage and a well-proportioned en suite bathroom. There are two further bedrooms with en suite shower rooms. The ground floor has a converted garage, which would be possible to reinstate if required. EPC C.

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# Henry & James

*Est. 1950*



BURTON MEWS, BELGRAVIA, SW1W

**FREEHOLD**

**THREE BEDROOMS**

**GROSS INTERNAL AREA: 3,070 SQ FT / 285 SQ M**

**£6,950,000 stc**

A very spacious and beautifully presented three double bedroom house situated in a quiet private mews in the heart of Belgravia.

The house is perfectly laid out to entertain; there is a high spec modern kitchen on the ground floor that leads across a large hallway to a reception and dining area, both of which open onto a very private patio. The first floor has an impressive drawing room that is ideal for entertaining on a grand scale. The room has four large south facing windows and is divided by two

impressive columns with an ornate fireplace at one end and a wet bar at the other. The master bedroom suite is on the other side of the landing from the drawing room and there are two further double bedrooms serviced by a large family bathroom on the second floor. There is also a garage next to the kitchen, which is currently closed off and used as a laundry area. EPC D.

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## The right impression

Head of Lettings, Lizzie Young, advises how to attract tenants with an inviting home

### What is the best part of your job?

As Head of Lettings at Bodens on Draycott Avenue, one of the best parts of my job is the location of the office. We are on the crossroads of Draycott Avenue, Ixworth Place and Donne Place. We have KX gym opposite, Daphne's restaurant a few doors down, high end hairdressers and shops on our doorstep and fantastic restaurants all within a few moments. There is a huge range of passers-by from shoppers and ladies who lunch to local mums collecting their children from nearby schools.

### What is your favourite local restaurant?

My favourite restaurants for a quick lunch are always Itsu for sushi or the Admiral Codrington for a good burger. If a longer more formal lunch is required then Daphne's or Bibendum in the Michelin building is always a first choice. A new dim sum restaurant has just opened next door called Bo Lang and the food is delicious.

### What is your favourite place in the world?

I was fortunate a few years ago to spend nearly two years travelling around the world starting with a long sailing course in Durban, South Africa. I travelled through the States and Canada, worked

on a cattle station in Australia, spent a month on a boat sailing around Tasmania, drove through New Zealand and came home via Cambodia and Vietnam. Travel can make one realise how lucky we are to live in the UK: the diversity of our scenery, from beautiful beaches to the brooding mountains of the Scottish Highlands, plus our amazing history, beautiful old buildings and picturesque towns and villages.

### What is your most valued prized possession?

Many pieces from my travels: the water colour on rice paper carefully brought back from Ho Chi Ming City, the silk rugs from Morocco and Istanbul, and the strange statue from South Africa

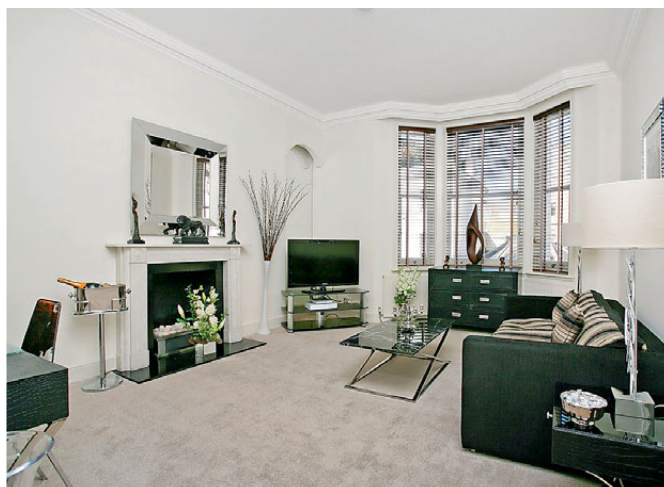
Tenants are not looking for an overstuffed apartment with mix and match furniture and different coloured carpets



which now sits by the loo. I love my sofa which I reupholstered after rescuing it from a skip, and a beautiful old ottoman bought from an antique arcade in Honiton. My house could not be described as a minimalist's dream which is in fact the opposite advice I would give to any landlord renting out property in Kensington and Chelsea.

### What is the one piece of advice you would give to tenants and landlords right now?

Tenants are looking for more character than just a bland box these days but not an overstuffed apartment with mix and match furniture and different coloured carpets. For a quick and prosperous let, I advise a carefully thought out flat with as much wooden flooring as possible, a modern kitchen and bathroom and, for an unfurnished property, neutral walls and window coverings. If the apartment is furnished, modern comfortable furniture is most appealing. The majority of tenants in this area are from overseas and do not appreciate too much chintz and tired old kitchens and bathrooms; they would rather pay a premium and have the location and perfect interior. We are happy to introduce tenants to suitable properties.



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- ❖ Highly sought after period mansion building
- ❖ Exceptional views
- ❖ Moments from Kensington Gardens

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- ❖ Two reception rooms
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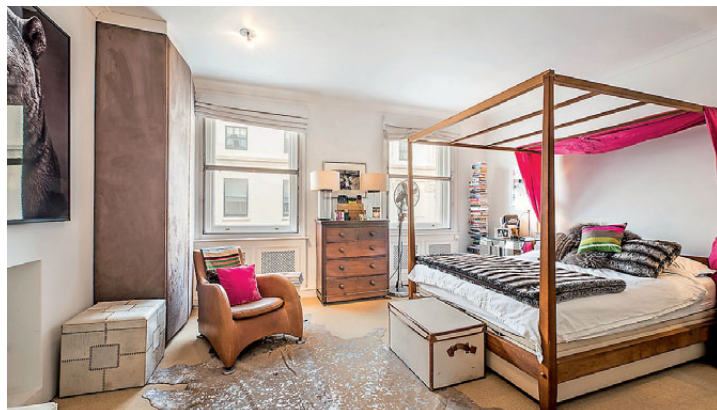
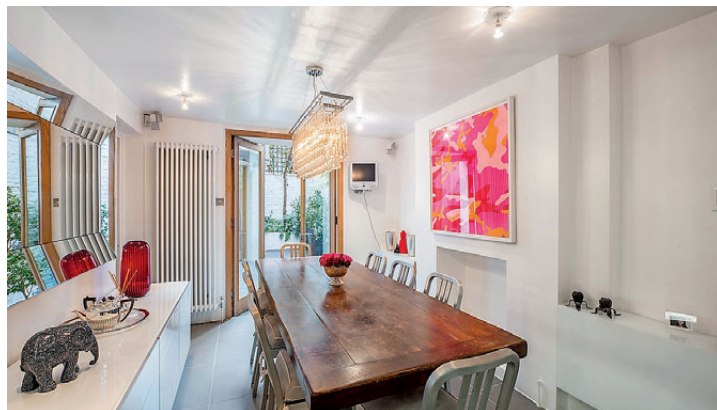
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FREEHOLD  
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**Price on Application**

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## DRAYTON GARDENS, SW10

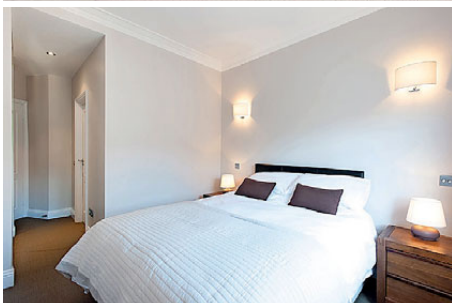
An extremely well presented two double bedroom flat benefiting from a balcony, situated in this fantastic location in the heart of Chelsea with the added advantage of having an underground parking space. Two Double Bedrooms, En-Suite Bathroom, Shower Room, Reception Room, Kitchen, Balcony, Underground Parking Space.

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- Lift
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- 1,862 sq ft
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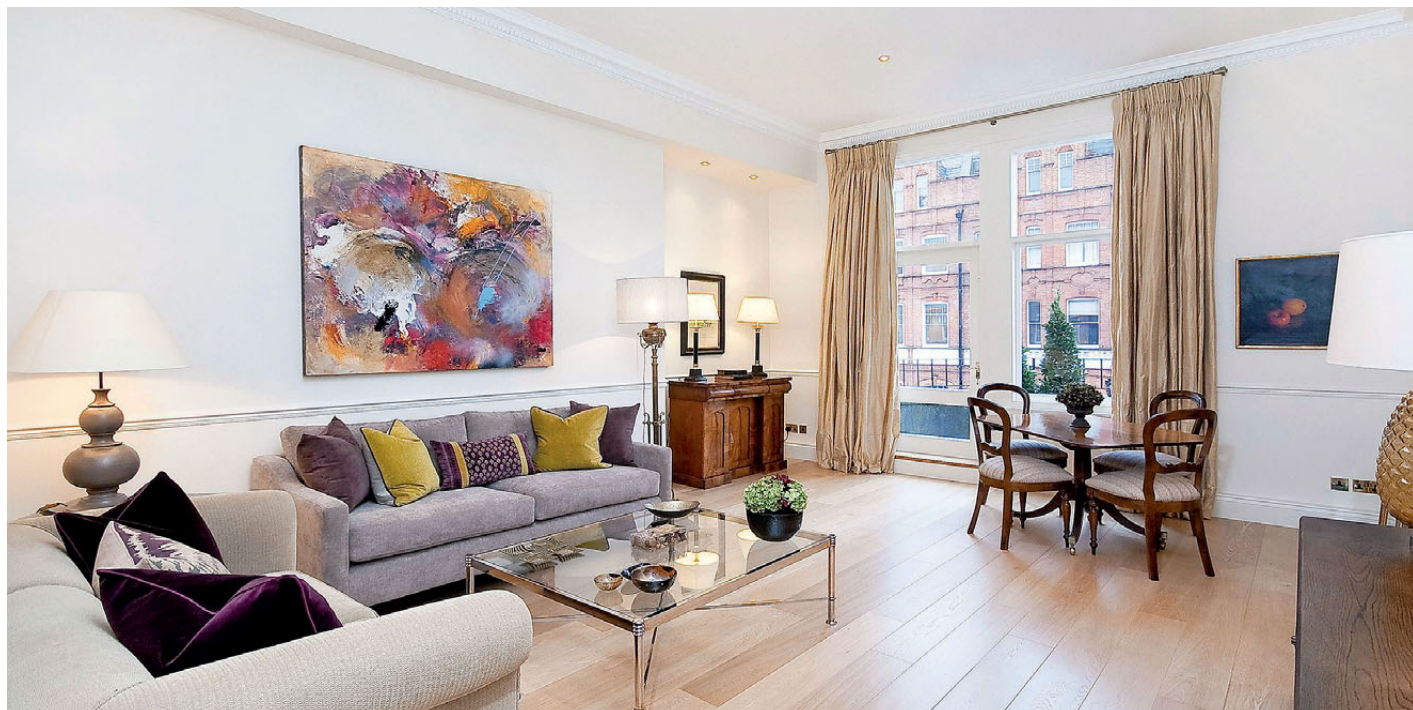
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**£1650 PER WEEK (fees apply)**



### KENSINGTON COURT, W8

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896 sq ft. Unfurnished.  
2 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, Reception Room, Kitchen, EPC Rating D.

**£800 PER WEEK (fees apply)**



### COURTFIELD GARDENS, SW5

Laterally converted top floor flat. 1200 sq ft. Unfurnished/Furnished.  
3 Bedrooms, 3 Bathrooms/Showers, Reception Room, Kitchen/Dining Room, 2 Terraces, Lift, Air Conditioning, Porter, Communal Gardens, EPC Rating E.

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Rachel Piper

# Area of expertise

Four staff from Benham & Reeves Residential Lettings give the lowdown on what is happening in the West London lettings property market





**Lisa-Jane Stratton**  
*Manager, Knightsbridge office*

After several years at our Canary Wharf office, I now manage our Knightsbridge branch. This was our fourth office (it opened in 1998) although the company was first established in Hampstead in 1956. Today we have 11 offices across prime central London.

I love working in Knightsbridge where we have good demand for property. We have some stunning homes, from elegant Victorian and Edwardian residences to luxurious apartments at The Knightsbridge development and One Hyde Park, so there's plenty of choice.

Professional buy-to-let investors dominate the rental market. We also have expat landlords renting out their property while they are living abroad. Most use our property management service because they understand this is a complex area and requires specialist knowledge.

Property is my passion and I love finding tenants their perfect home. The lifestyle here in Chelsea is difficult to match, even in London. We work regularly with relocation agents working for international firms bringing executives to London – often from the USA, but also Europeans, Russians and Middle Easterners. They have high expectations but we have such outstanding properties we know we can find them their ideal home.

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**Fawaz Otmani**  
*Senior Lettings Negotiator, Hyde Park office*

The Hyde Park area is known for its period properties and stunning architecture and we handle some of the most beautiful homes in W1, W2 and W11 postcodes, with Mayfair a speciality. I've lived in nearby St John's Wood all my life, so this really is my 'patch'. We specialise in finding homes for corporate tenants and find that professionals love being in the heart of the capital – the corporate lets and relocation market is always strong. We're always busy finding homes for overseas executives and young professionals as well as international students.

W2 is also the focus of many exciting new residential developments, sought-after by overseas tenants in particular who love the contemporary feel of these lateral apartments. The regeneration of Paddington Basin is transforming W2 and bringing a whole new generation of tenants to the area while Notting Hill and its fashionable neighbour Westbourne Grove remain firm favourites with young professionals.

Also attracting huge interest is the new Portobello Square development. It's part of a major regeneration project and unlike many of London's gleaming residential towers, it has low-rise apartments and plenty of green space, with a really villagey feel. Apartments here are letting like hot cakes!

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**Glen Neligan**  
*Manager, Kensington and Imperial Wharf offices*

Having joined the company in 1999, I now manage both the Kensington and Imperial Wharf branches. There have been dramatic changes locally in that time and although Kensington is known for its period properties, in areas like Hammersmith and Fulham, new developments such as Fulham Reach near Hammersmith Bridge and nearby Sovereign Court are transforming the skyline. Hammersmith is an area to watch for growth and is predicted to have the largest property price rises of any London borough over the next few years.

I'm based at Imperial Wharf, a development that has gone from strength to strength. We are the developer's appointed letting agent and opened our on-site office in 2009. Imperial Wharf attracts professionals but also has some glamorous celebrities - Premiership footballers (from Chelsea and Fulham), actors and pop stars. Transport links are always important and as well as its own overground rail station, there's a riverboat service to the City, a huge draw for City professionals, offering a very civilised commute! Most properties here are rental investments and those who bought off plan in 2008 have seen staggering increases in property values, as well as good rental yields.

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**Marc von Grundherr**  
*Director of Lettings*

As Director of Lettings, I manage our day-to-day rentals operation, both in the UK and internationally at our overseas offices in Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Dubai and India.

I joined the company in 1996, helping to oversee its expansion and working closely with Managing Director Anita Mehra and fellow Directors Simran Prasad (Director of Property Management) and Vidhur Mehra (Financial Director) who all take a very active role in the running of the company.

I began my career in lettings 18 years ago and in that time I've seen huge changes in the rental market, both in Kensington, where I'm based, and across London. Rental demand has grown enormously, as even well paid professionals struggle to get on the property ladder, but also because London attracts workers from across the globe and renting gives them the flexibility to move as their career progresses.

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# Alexander Leschallas

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It's a competitive market for buyers but patience and perseverance should win out

Looking back at 2013, Pimlico and Westminster saw prices increase at extraordinary levels, driven by low stock and more applicants than we have ever had. In most cases our clients were in the enviable position of having multiple offers on their property and were able to choose the most suitable buyer. On the flip side, this can cause frustration for buyers who, in some cases, have missed out on several properties. Perseverance is required in this uncertain market.

The beginning of a new year is always a time when we feel ready to make firm decisions and it also brings with it various questions about the property market: How will the market perform in 2014? Will more people want to sell? Will there still be record levels of buyers looking to purchase property in central London?

It takes more than January to fully answer these questions, but the early signs are that we may see a bit more property available in the first few months; applicants are already registering in large numbers and we already have multiple offers on most of our instructions. So it looks as though it will be more of the same in an area that has become increasingly desirable over the last four years and must now be considered to be part of the prime central London market.

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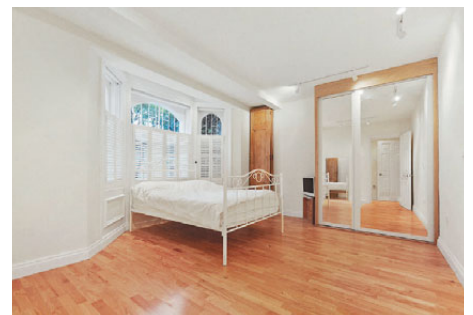
Master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, Second bedroom/dining room, Reception room, Kitchen/breakfast room, Patio, Cloakroom and utility room, EPC: B.



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Eccleston Square Mews SW1V

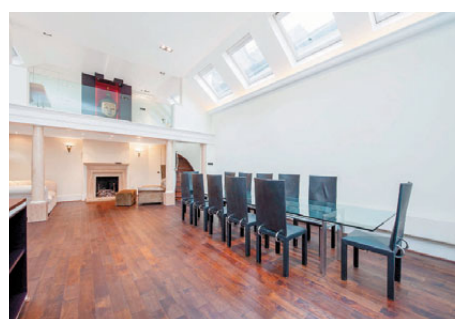
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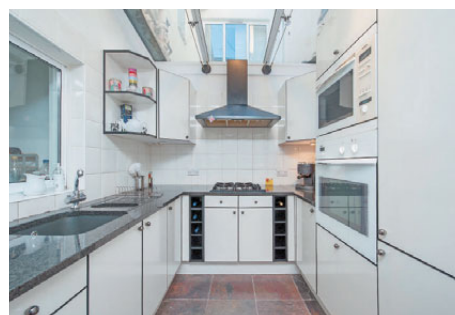


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